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JUNIATA VALLEY  
AND ITS PEOPLE

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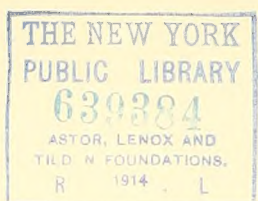
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the peace for about the same time. In 1876 he was elected to the Pennsylvania legislature, and in 1878 re-elected, serving in all four years. He was a prominent member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and of the Grand Army of the Republic, holding the principal offices in both organizations. He was a Democrat in politics and both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church.

Doctor Hunter married Sarah A. McClain, born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, January 16, 1848, died in Fulton county, May 24, 1890, daughter of James McClain, a farmer of Trough Creek valley, Huntingdon county, a large land owner, and son of Jesse McClain, an early settler of Trough Creek valley. James McClain later moved to Wells Valley in Fulton county, where he died about 1895, leaving three children: Walter, a farmer of Nebraska; Sarah A., married Dr. Robert I. Hunter; and Mary (deceased) married John Stunkard. Children of Dr. Robert Irvin and Sarah A. (McClain) Hunter: 1. John Russell, born in Wells Valley, Fulton county, Pennsylvania, February 6, 1868, graduate of Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, M. D., 1893, now practicing in Lewistown. He married, September 25, 1895, Mary C. Wishart; two children: John R. and Donald. 2. Mary J., married H. H. Bridenstine and resides in Everett, Pennsylvania. 3. Alice Meta, married Dr. C. A. R. McClain and resides at Mount Union, Pennsylvania. 4. Robert Mc., D. D. S., now practicing at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania; unmarried. 5. William Scott, of whom further.

(III) Dr. William Scott Hunter, youngest son of Dr. Robert Irvin and Sarah A. (McClain) Hunter, was born in Fulton county, Pennsylvania, August 3, 1881. He prepared in the public schools, and later attended Juniata College. He chose the profession of dentistry, and after a course at Philadelphia Dental College, Philadelphia, was graduated D. D. S., class of 1903. He practised one year at Saxton, Bedford county, Pennsylvania, then moved to Reedsville, where he is now located in successful practice. He is a member of the Masonic order, belonging to Lewistown Lodge, No. 253, Free and Accepted Masons; Lewistown Chapter, No. 186, Royal Arch Masons; Lewistown Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templar and is also an Odd Fellow. He is a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

Dr. Hunter married, May 10, 1911, Esther Priscilla Taylor,



born in Reedsville, Pennsylvania. Dr. Hunter resides on Logan street, Reedsville, where he purchased a home in 1912.

Mrs. Hunter is a daughter of William H. and Rhoda G. (Henry) Taylor, granddaughter of Henry (2) and Priscilla A. (Kyle) Taylor, great-granddaughter of Henry (1) and Priscilla (Turbett) Taylor, and a descendant of Robert Taylor, who came to the Kishacoquillas valley from Pine Ford, Swatara creek, Dauphin county, when that region formed part of Lancaster county. He took out a warrant for several thousand acres of land, much of which is owned by members of the family. Robert Taylor had five sons: William, Robert, John and Matthew, the latter being the great-great-grandfather of Esther Priscilla (Taylor) Hunter. Henry (2) Taylor was a life-long farmer of Brown township, where he was born November 24, 1835. He was married (first) October 8, 1850, to Priscilla Ann Kyle, who died January 31, 1869.

William H., son of Henry (2) Taylor, was born on the Taylor homestead, September 29, 1851. He was educated in the public school and Kishacoquilla Seminary, finishing at Airy View Academy, Port Royal, Pennsylvania. He taught school for a time, then began mercantile business in Reedsville, but the confinement of indoors told on his health, and he turned to a farmer's life. In 1879 he began his residence at Reedsville, where he has since resided. He has been prominent in public and business life for many years, and is one of the substantial and most highly regarded men of his county. He was one of the organizers of the Reedsville National Bank; was a member of the first board of directors and is the present vice-president. He is also a director of the Farmers' National Bank, at Belleville, and of the Milroy Banking Company. In 1890 he was elected commissioner of Mifflin county, and in 1893 was re-elected by a larger majority than at first. He is a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife members of the Reedsville Presbyterian Church. He married, December 16, 1875, Rhoda G., daughter of Judge John and Rhoda (Taylor) Henry. Judge Henry died on his eightieth birthday, surviving all but five of his thirteen children. Mrs. Rhoda G. (Henry) Taylor died March 6, 1911. Children: Ralph H., born February 15, 1879; Kyle McFarlane, February 26, 1885; Esther Priscilla, January 13, 1888, wife of Dr. William Scott Hunter.







*John Warner*

The American ancestor of the Warners of Belleville and  
WARNER Reedsville, Pennsylvania, was Joseph Warner, born in  
England, November 29, 1745, a resident of Gloucester-  
shire, where he was a large landowner. He came to Pennsylvania in  
1768, settling after his marriage in Cumra township, Berks county. On  
March 1, 1774, he was married by the Rev. David Fober to Barbara  
Grove, born in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, November 1, 1743.  
Children: Mary, John, Elizabeth, Joseph, Jacob.

(II) Joseph (2), son of Joseph (1) and Barbara (Grove) Warner,  
was born in Cumra township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, May 27,  
1784. He was a farmer by occupation, and a Democrat in politics. He  
was married in Reading, Pennsylvania, by the Rev. William Boobas,  
June 22, 1806, to Susanna Will. Children: Hannah, born March 8,  
1807; Susanna, February 20, 1808; Elizabeth, April 24, 1809; Harriet,  
June 25, 1810; Elisha, mentioned below; Mary, May 10, 1813; Cath-  
arine, June 19, 1815; Barbara, April 2, 1817; Levi, December 24, 1818;  
Joseph, May 29, 1823.

(III) Elisha, son of Joseph (2) and Susanna (Will) Warner, was  
born in Cumra township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, October 6, 1811,  
died February 10, 1892. He was a carpenter by trade, which occupa-  
tion he followed in connection with farming, and was a Democrat in  
politics. He married, in Reading, Pennsylvania, by Rev. Miller, Cath-  
arine Matz, born in Cumra township, Berks county, Pennsylvania,  
May 10, 1815. Children: Owen M., born February 7, 1842; Elizabeth  
Heiney, August 11, 1843; James Matz, mentioned below; Mary Annie,  
June 6, 1849; Obadiah M., May 22, 1853; John Franklin, December  
11, 1855.

(IV) James Matz, son of Elisha and Catharine (Matz) Warner,  
was born in Cumra township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, August 7,  
1845. He received a good common school education, having attended  
the Spohn school in Spring township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, at  
which school he taught two short terms. His boyhood was spent on the  
farm and in the grist mill. In 1871 he removed to McClure, Snyder  
county, Pennsylvania, and worked on a lumber operation until 1876,  
and during that year and the following he operated in Maryland, and in  
1878-79 at Blairs Mills, Pennsylvania. Returning to McClure he again  
operated until 1883, when he moved to the Kishacoquillas Valley, Mifflin



county, Pennsylvania, and engaged in farming, conducting his operations upon one of the farms then owned by A. W. Campbell. From that place he moved to near Menno, on the farm of D. M. Contner, from which place he moved to the Haughawout farm, where he lived one year, going from there to the farm of Henry P. Taylor, where he lived for nineteen years, moving from there to his late home, near Belleville. During the latter years of his life he devoted a part of his time to lumbering, associating himself with Joseph Kelley, of Reedsville, Pennsylvania, and later with D. S. Peachey, of Menno, Pennsylvania. During the last summer of his life he purchased the house of Solomon A. Zook, to which place he had expected to move in the near future, retiring from the farming business, but expecting to continue in the lumber business. As a business man he was very careful, his ability being unquestioned, and he was a man of strong convictions, quiet and unassuming in his manner, honest in his dealings with men and kindly disposed toward all. He assisted in the organization of the Farmers' National Bank, of Belleville, of which institution he was a stockholder, and also in the organization of the Co-operative Creamery, of which he was a stockholder. He was always a staunch Democrat and creditably represented his party in county and township offices, serving for three years as county auditor, nine years as a school director, four years as a road supervisor, also in several minor township offices. He was confirmed in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Sinking Springs, Pennsylvania, December 10, 1864; family confirmed in St. John's Lutheran Church, of Belleville. He was a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics; Knights of Pythias; Kishacoquillas Castle, No. 160, Knights of the Golden Eagle, of which he was a charter member and a past officer; Belleville Lodge, No. 302, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he was past noble grand, and several years secretary; McVeytown Lodge, No. 376, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he was a past master; Harrisburg Consistory, Sovereign Princes of the Royal Secret, thirty-second degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, N. M. J. U. S. A.

Mr. Warner married, at Bannerville, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, in 1873, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. R. Weind, Anna Mary Mattern, born in West Beaver township, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, August 30, 1856, daughter of John Jacob and Margaret Jane

(Stull) Mattern, the former of whom was a teacher and cobbler, served for several years as county commissioner of Snyder county and as director of the poor, and in a number of other township offices. The following is a copy of his discharge from the United States army:

"To all whom it may concern: Know ye, That John Jacob Mattern a Private of Captain Lewis C. Edmonds, Company (1) 184th Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, who was enrolled on the 27th day of August one thousand eight hundred and 64 to serve one year or during the war, is hereby discharged from the service of the United States, this 2nd day of June 1865 at Munsons Hill, Va., by reason of G. O. Hdqrs. A. of P. C. S. 1865 (No objection to his being re-enlisted is known to exist) Said John J. Mattern was born in Lehigh Co., in the State of Pennsylvania is 41 years of age, 5 feet nine inches high Dark complexion Blue eyes Dark hair, and by occupation, when enrolled a shoe maker. Given at Baileys Cross Roads, Va., this 2nd day of June 1865. John H. Stover Colonel commanding the Regt. ps. This sentence will be erased should there be anything in the conduct or physical condition of the soldier rendering him unfit for the Army (A. G. O. No. 99) H. V. Russel Capt. 10th N. T. and A. C. M. 2 Div. 2 A. C. Harrisburg, June 8 1865. Paid in full, R. A. Haggerty Pay Mas. U. S. A. Oath of Identity John Jacob Mattern of the township of West Beaver County of Snyder in the State of Penna on the 27 day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace for the County and State above mentioned John Jacob Mattern, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical John Jacob Mattern who was a private in the company commanded by Captain L. C. Edmond in the regiment 184 commanded by John H. Stover that he enlisted on the 27 day of August 1864 for the term of one year and was discharged at Munsons Hill, Va., on the 2d day of June 1865, G. O. H. D. qrs. A. of P. C. S. 1865 J. J. Mattern sworn and subscribed to before me the day and year above written. N. B. Middleswarth, J. P. I certify that before whom the above affidavit purports to have been made is a Justice of the Peace duly authorized to administer oaths, and that the above is his signature. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 27 day of Jan. A. D. 1880, at Middleburg, State of Penn'a, County of Snyder, J. G. Crouse, Clerk of the Common Pleas and Proth'y. Filed Jan. 27, 1880 at 10:30 a. m. Recorded Jan. 27, 1880."

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Mattern: Miranda, Howard Wilson, Sarah Luemma, Cloyd Henry, Anna Mary, Isaac Westley, Alice May, Lizzie

Elvesta. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Warner: 1. Sherman Preston, of whom further. 2. Sadie Maude, born December 7, 1876; married William Milton Reigle, a locomotive engineer, a son of David and Sarah Reigle; children: Marie May, Charles Milton, Helen Maude, Esther Juniata, Anna Elizabeth, Stella Catharine, Frederic Rupp. 3. Frank Wilson of whom further. 4. Roy Embrose, born January 6, 1881; a machinist by occupation; married Rhoda Estella, daughter of Franklin and Adda Strunk; children: Mary Lourane, James Franklin, John Scott, Sherman Preston. 5. Bruce Mattern, born May 10, 1884; a locomotive fireman by occupation; married Jessie Devall, daughter of Sankey and Amanda McCollm; children: Margaret Ethel, Kathleen Lucile. 6. Arthur Stull, born January 9, 1886; a graduate of the Belleville high school, class of 1905; engaged in the banking business; unmarried. 7. Minnie May, born August 15, 1888; a graduate of the Belleville high school, class of 1906; married Paul L. Civitts, a farmer, and son of Wilson and Mary Civitts; children: Camilla May, Wilson Warner.

Mr. Warner died January 23, 1913, at Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania, to which place he had gone on a matter of business. His remains were taken to his late residence, near Belleville, where the funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. H. Spangler, D. D., of Yeagertown, an intimate friend of the deceased, assisted by Rev. C. S. Bottiger, of Belleville. Interment was made in Lutheran cemetery above Belleville, where the services concluded with the Masonic and Odd Fellowship ceremonies.

(V) Sherman Preston, son of James Matz and Anna Mary (Mattern) Warner, was born at McClure, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, December 10, 1873. He was educated in the public schools of the Kishacoquillas Valley, and at the age of sixteen years entered the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad. After two years on the Sunbury division he was promoted to a clerkship at the Lewistown station. Thence to various points on the road and in responsible positions until 1900, when he was appointed agent at Reedsville, also junction agent for the Pennsylvania and the Kishacoquillas Valley railroads. He is secretary of the Mifflin County Jewelry Company; was eight years school director of Brown township; is a Democrat in politics, and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. He is a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, F. and A. M. He married, October 18, 1899, Mar-



garet Bricker, born in Lewistown, daughter of M. M. Bricker, the present sheriff of Mifflin county.

(V) Frank Wilson, second son of James Matz and Anna Mary (Mattern) Warner, was born in Bellwood, Pennsylvania, October 8, 1878. He was educated in the public schools, Reedsville Academy and Millersville State Normal, a graduate of the latter, class of 1899. He taught for two years, the second year as principal of Belleville high school. From the spring of 1901, until December, 1902, he was engaged in the freight department of the Pennsylvania railroad at Pittsburgh. On January 1, 1903, he entered the employ of the Reedsville National Bank as clerk, and in the spring of that year was appointed assistant cashier of the Belleville Deposit Bank. He continued in this position until the autumn of 1911, when he was elected cashier of the newly organized Farmer's National Bank, of which he was one of the incorporators, beginning the duties of cashier in January, 1912. He is treasurer of the Belleville Co-operative Creamery Company (which he also assisted to organize); is treasurer, supervisor and clerk of Union township. He is a Democrat in politics; a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, F. and A. M., and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. Mr. Warner married, September 6, 1904, Nellie E. Dolbeer, born in Ohio, daughter of Rev. W. H. and Eliza Euxine (Walters) Dolbeer, born in Ohio, but now living at Beaver Springs, Snyder county, Pennsylvania. Children: Frank Wilson (2), born February 20, 1907; Dudley Dolbeer, December 31, 1910; Curtis Wayne, August 14, 1912.

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The earliest record of this family is in Snyder county, HELFRICK Pennsylvania, where Joseph Helfrick was a well-to-do agriculturalist, the owner of two farms. He was a member of the Reformed church, married and left issue.

(II) Willoughby, son of Joseph Helfrick, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania. He has followed farming all his life in Union, Snyder and Mifflin counties, moving to the latter county in 1877, and settling at Paintersville, where he purchased a farm of sixty acres on which he now resides. He is a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. He married Susan S. Miller, born in Union county, died in 1908, daughter of Joseph Miller,

a land-owning farmer of Union county; children: Samuel, a United States mail carrier, at Laurelton, Pennsylvania; Susan S., married Willoughby Helfrick; Eliza, married John Stover, whom she survives, a resident of Paintersville, Pennsylvania; another deceased. Children of Willoughby Helfrick: 1. Annie E., married Samuel Hunt, of Lewistown; children: Elsie, Susanna, Esther and Joella. 2. Albert C.

(III) Albert C., only son of Willoughby and Susan S. (Miller) Helfrick, was born in Paintersville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, August 11, 1877. He was educated in the public schools and Lock Haven State Normal School. He taught two terms, then entered Eastman's Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York, whence he was graduated, class of 1898. He then entered the employ of H. C. Jackson, a general merchant of Lewistown, but soon afterward became clerk in the banking house of William Russell & Son. In 1900 he was appointed cashier of the newly organized Belleville National Bank, and became a resident of Belleville. The Belleville National Bank is one of the well-managed, prosperous national banks of the county, and is the only national bank in Mifflin county that is listed by the United States government on its "Roll of Honor," and stands twenty-seventh on the "Roll of Honor" list in the United States, and third in the list of Pennsylvania national banks, and having a capital of less than \$50,000. In this connection it is interesting to know that the foremost bank on that "Roll" is also in Pennsylvania, the First National Bank of Uniontown. Mr. Helfrick is a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church. He is also a member of the Masonic order, belonging to McVeytown Lodge, No. 376, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; also to Belleville Lodge, No. 302, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Rebekahs, No. 427; the Patriotic Order of Sons of America, and the Patrons of Husbandry. He married (first) in 1904, Lenore Gibboney, who died in 1908, daughter of William M. Gibboney, of Belleville. Children: Eugene G. and Marlin W. He married (second) in 1912, Rachel, daughter of Levi and Rebecca Esh.

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The first record found of the Hanawalts is of  
HANAWALT Henry, who on October 31, 1785, warranted three  
hundred acres of land in what is now Oliver town-  
ship, Mifflin county, and on November 21, 1792, patented another tract

of one hundred acres. Henry Hanawalt, died in 1794, leaving two sons, George and John.

(II) George, son of Henry Hanawalt, in company with his brother John, purchased in April, 1802, a tract of land in what is now Wayne township, of the heirs of James Ross. John Hanawalt moved to that purchase, but George remained at the home farm. They continued their partnership until April, 1821, when they divided the property, but each seemed satisfied with the land they were living on, so George kept the homestead and John the Ross purchase, in Wayne township. John died in 1829, George in 1832. He served in the revolution, and a relic of that conflict is still preserved by his great-grandson, Daniel A. Hanawalt, in the form of a firearm, the barrel of which was part of the musket carried by his sire, when a soldier in the revolutionary army. George Hanawalt left a widow, Catherine, and children: Margaret, married Hugh McKee; Ann, married Leopold; Susanna; Joseph, of whom further; James.

(III) Joseph, son of George and Catherine Hanawalt, was born in Oliver township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where he also spent his after life. He was a prosperous farmer and both he and his wife Mary were members of the German Baptist church, he being a minister. He left male issue including a son, John S.

(IV) John S., son of Joseph and Mary Hanawalt, was born in Oliver township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, May 20, 1840, died in the same township May 1, 1883. He attended the public schools and spent his early life at the home farm. After his marriage he bought a tract of one hundred acres of partly cleared land, and thereon spent his after life. He finished the clearing, erected many improvements and brought his land to a point of high fertility. He was a member of the German Baptist church, and a minister of the branch known as The Brethren, as was his father and father-in-law. In political faith he was a Democrat, and served several terms as school director. He married Nancy Snowberger, born in New Enterprise, Pennsylvania, August 3, 1842, later moved to McVeytown, where she was married. She survives her husband, has never remarried and now resides at the Oliver township farm, to which she moved in early married life. She is a daughter of Daniel Snowberger, a prosperous farmer of Bedford county, Pennsylvania, and a member of the German church (The Brethren); he had several children,

one of them Theodore, a soldier of the Union army, was killed at the battle of Antietam. Children of John S. Hanawalt: 1. Christie Ann, married Fred J. Sunderland, and lives in Wayne township. 2. Catherine, married George White, and lives at Burnham. 3. Mary Elizabeth, married Henry Rhodes, whom she survives, a resident of Alberta, Canada. 4. Ira, drowned at the age of two years. 5. Joseph Rothrock, married Effie Rupert and resides at McVeytown, a teacher in the public schools. 6. Daniel Abraham, of whom further. 7. Charles B., married Bessie Bailey and resides at Falls Creek, Pennsylvania, principal of schools. 8. John Miller, married Essie Strawser and farms the homestead. 9. William H., married Phoebe Kirk and resides in Oliver township, a farmer. 10. Ada Margaret, married Robert Strawser, a farmer of Oliver township.

(V) Daniel Abraham, son of John S. and Nancy (Snowberger) Hanawalt, was born near McVeytown, Oliver township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, June 30, 1873. He obtained his early education at the Pine Grove public school, later entering Juniata College, whence he was graduated from the business department, then taking the normal English course. After teaching school in Brown township for six years, Mr. Hanawalt located in Belleville in 1903, having been appointed station agent for the Kishacoquillas Valley railroad, a position he yet occupies. He is a Republican in politics, served six years as school director, and is now secretary of the Belleville board. In Mahaffey he served as borough director. He is a member of The Brethren church, his wife a member of the Presbyterian church.

He married, in December, 1903, Katherine Cummins, born in Brown township, daughter of James T. Cummins, of an old county family. Children: Emogene B., born May 2, 1906; James Milton, October 15, 1908; Robert Campbell, September 4, 1912.

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In 1796 Christian Spangler was listed among the "taxables" of Quemahoning township, Somerset county, Pennsylvania. He married and had issue, including a son Abraham.

(II) Abraham, son of Christian Spangler, was a wealthy farmer of Somerset county, Pennsylvania, owning between three and four hundred acres of land, much of it in timber. He spent his life in lumbering and



farming on his own land. He married Margaret, daughter of Captain Daniel Stoy, who came from Ireland to Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, thence to Somerset county, with the earlier settlers of the northern part of Somerset county. He became the owner of a large amount of land, his first settlement being the present site of Stoystown, of which he is considered the founder. While he devoted some time to the primitive agriculture of pioneer days, he was at first more of a hunter than farmer. Tradition has it that during Indian troubles he was compelled more than once to leave his mountain home and take refuge at Fort Bedford; also that he killed an Indian from the door of his cabin, which was afterward burned by the savages. It is quite certain that he was a man of good standing and in 1783 was assessor for Quemahoning township. At a much later period he served several terms in the Pennsylvania legislature. He served in the revolutionary war and held the rank of captain, his company being known as "Stoy's Riflemen." His wife, a Miss Higgins, was born in county Down, Ireland, as was their daughter Margaret, but she was married to Abraham Spangler in Somerset. They were the parents of fourteen children, all of whom grew to mature years, the last survivor, Franklin, dying in Somerset county, at Shanksville, in 1912, aged ninety-three years.

(III) Daniel, son of Abraham and Margaret (Stoy) Spangler, was born in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, about 1818. He grew up a farmer, but later became a contractor, a business he followed all his life. He also owned and operated a farm in Somerset county, and there died February 14, 1898. Both he and his wife were reared in the Lutheran church, but after marriage, there being no church of that denomination near their home, they became members of the United Brethren church. In political faith, Mr. Spangler was a Democrat and filled many township offices. He married Sophia Myers, born in Somerset county, October 6, 1821, who survives him, now residing in Shanksville, Somerset county, aged ninety-two years. She is a daughter of Conrad and Margaret (Lowrie-Harris) Myers, the latter a daughter of Captain Francis Lowrie, an officer of the revolutionary war. Captain Lowrie was born in Ireland of Scotch-Irish parents, as was Margaret Lowrie, his daughter. They came to America together, settling in Somerset county, where she married (first) a Mr. Harris and (second) Conrad Myers. She had issue by both, but none are living, except Mrs. Sophia (Myers) Spang-

ler, of previous mention. Children of Daniel and Sophia (Myers) Spangler: 1. Died unnamed. 2. Catherine, unmarried, and lives in Shanksville, Pennsylvania. 3. John, died in 1906, a veteran of the civil war. He never applied for a pension, although serving under two enlistments: First, in Company D, 133d Regiment; second, in Company H, 187th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. 4. Wilson B., enlisted at the age of fourteen years in the Ninety-first Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, served throughout the war, then enlisted in the regular United States army, served with General Crook in his Indian campaign, and there contracted a disease which proved fatal in 1873. 5. Rev. Alexander Hamilton, of whom further. 6. Conrad, died about 1905, a merchant of Shanksville, Pennsylvania. 7. Nelson, died in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. 8. Rev. Wesley H., a minister of the United Brethren church at Phillipsburg, Pennsylvania. 9. Margaret, resides in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

(IV) Rev. Alexander Hamilton Spangler, son of Daniel and Sophia (Myers) Spangler, was born in Somerset county, Pennsylvania, February 16, 1852. He was educated in the public schools and at Wooster University, Wooster, Ohio, whence he was graduated, class of 1873. He then began the study of law at New Bloomfield, Perry county, Pennsylvania, and was admitted to the bar. In 1885 he began the study of Divinity, entered Union Theological Seminary, and was there graduated, class of 1888, and was ordained a minister of the Lutheran church. He began ministerial work as pastor of the church at New Bloomfield, Perry county, Pennsylvania, remaining there four years. He was pastor at Middleburg, Snyder county, two years, thence to Port Royal, Juniata county, eleven years and in 1893 was called to the Lutheran church at Yeagertown, where he has been located ever since that date. He is an educated Christian gentleman, and preaches by his daily life and example as eloquently of the beauties of the Christian life as from his pulpit, at regular services. He is beloved by his people and has exerted an influence for great good in his community. He is also interested in the development and material welfare of Yeagertown as well as in the spiritual uplift. He is vice-president of the Saxton Coal Company; a director of Saxton Vitrified Brick Company and has accumulated property consisting of town lots and houses. He is a life member of Mifflintown Lodge, No. 324, Free and Accepted Masons and a life member of

the Patriotic Order, Sons of America, Philadelphia Lodge, No. 734. In political faith he is a Democrat, is active in public affairs and often presides over party conventions and meetings. In 1906 Rev. Spangler toured continental Europe and the Holy Land, visiting the principal points of historical interest and many of the more inaccessible localities, using the form of locomotion most available in the desert places, the donkey.

He married (first) April 20, 1874, Cynthia Penrod, born in Somerset county, died January 23, 1905, daughter of John and Lydia (Bell) Penrod. Children: 1. Marion, died in infancy. 2. Herschel K., educated at Port Royal Academy, now a journalist of Pittsburgh; he married Margaret Johnston. 3. Wilson P., graduate of Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, died aged twenty-one years. 4. Thaddeus S., educated at Susquehanna University, now pattern clerk of the Standard Steel Works Company; married Gertrude Craig. 5. Luther Stoy, graduate of the Theological School of Susquehanna University, class of June, 1913, now pastor of the Lutheran church at Pine Grove Mills, Center county, Pennsylvania. Rev. Spangler married (second) January 28, 1906, Gertrude M. Shannon, who was born in Middleburg, Pennsylvania, and who died without issue, April 2, 1912, daughter of Joseph and Mary Shannon.

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Joseph Henderson McClintic, of Belleville, Pennsylvania, is of Scotch-Irish descent, a strong combination found in many of the foremost public men of the United States. The McClintic family is widely scattered over this country, and there are many of the name to be found in every state of the Union.

(I) James McClintic, the first of the family in America, landed on the inhospitable shores of the New World previous to the revolutionary war. He was a farmer and followed that pursuit, going to Pennsylvania. He took up land, cleared and cultivated it. After the "Boston Tea Party" he gave encouragement to the cause of the colonists, and in 1776, when the various colonies called for volunteers, he threw his fortunes in with the continental army raised in Pennsylvania and went to join General George Washington. He served throughout the eight years, suffering untold hardships. He was in all of the battles of that region of

Pennsylvania. At the close of the war he returned to Pennsylvania and settled in Decatur township, Mifflin county, and there died.

(II) James (2), son of the revolutionary hero, James (1) McClintic, was born in Pennsylvania, there lived and died on a farm. He was probably born in Mifflin county, though of that there is no positive record. He married Margaret Lee, a daughter of another revolutionary patriot. They went to Decatur township where he took up wild land, cleared and cultivated it, building thereon a house of logs. Here both he and his wife died. They were the parents of twelve sons, who scattered to the four corners of the United States, and from whom sprang many of the name. They were: Andrew, John, James, of whom further; and nine other boys. Margaret Lee was born in England, and came to America with her parents when she was a mere baby. Her parents located in eastern Pennsylvania, and later went to Mifflin county, where she married James McClintic. Her father joined the army of the revolution, remaining with it during the entire war.

(III) James (3), son of James (2) and Margaret (Lee) McClintic, was born in Decatur township in 1816, and died near Belleville in 1861. He married Catherine Isenberg, born April 21, 1821, near Allensville, Pennsylvania, died January 4, 1896, daughter of David and Catherine (Steele) Isenberg, and old-time residents of Allensville. David Isenberg was a farmer; after his second marriage he went west and settled in Indiana and there died. He was the father of five children by his first wife and two by the last. Catherine (Isenberg) McClintic was a child of the first marriage. James McClintic and his wife Catherine were members of the Lutheran church. He was a Republican and served as school director, besides holding other minor county offices. Children: 1. A daughter, died unnamed. 2. Joseph Henderson, of whom further. 3. David Rolandus, is on the police force of Tyrone, Pennsylvania. 4. James Evander, died aged nine years. 5. George Vance, lives in Oklahoma City, in mercantile business. 6. John Davis, in Union township; is proprietor of Valley View Poultry Farm. 7. Margaret Ann, widow of Dr. Henry C. Walker, lives in Lewistown. 8. Martin Luther, unmarried; is shipping clerk for Susquehanna Coal Company. 9. Sarah Elizabeth, wife of George F. Stackpole, editor of the *Lewistown Gazette*.

(IV) Joseph Henderson, son of James (3) and Catherine (Isenberg) McClintic, was born June 23, 1846, in Union township, Mifflin



county, Pennsylvania. He was reared on his father's farm and received his preparatory education in the common schools of the township. At the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted, December 2, 1862, in Company B, Nineteenth United States Regulars, and served for nine months. He was promoted to first lieutenant and transferred south of Washington city to drill negro troops. He remained there four months. Next he did staff duty around Washington. During this service he was at Gettysburg, the last two days of that historic battle. He resigned from the army April 8, 1864, and reenlisted in the summer in Company A, Seventeenth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served through the rest of the 1864 campaign in the Shenandoah Valley, Virginia, and other portions of the state. He saw much active service; was at Harper's Ferry, Berryville, Winchester, Fisher's Hill and Cedar Creek. He was slightly wounded in the leg at Monocacy, in the side at Winchester, in the neck at Berryville, and at Cedar Creek, October 19, 1864, his left leg was taken off by grape shot. He lay three days and nights on the field in this condition. He was at last moved to a hospital in Baltimore and, having a sound constitution, soon recovered. He was placed in charge, as lieutenant, of the invalid corps to guard the hospital until the cessation of hostilities. After the close of the war he returned home to Pennsylvania for a time. He attended school in Baltimore and at Reading, Pennsylvania. He taught one term in Berks county, Pennsylvania, and then began farming on a small scale in Union township, where he lived until 1906. He erected a comfortable home in Belleville, where he has since resided. He does general farming with great success. He is a Republican in politics, and that party has conferred many deserved honors upon him. He was elected to the Pennsylvania legislature in 1891, and reelected in 1893, serving the people faithfully four years in the capacity of representative to the state general assembly. During the time of his incumbency of the office he introduced the bill that gave medals to the First Defenders, or Logan's Guards. He served as chairman of pensions and gratuities committee, was a member of appropriations committee, counties and townships committee and compare bills committee. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and has been commander of his post for the past fifteen years, there being only ten members left of the local post. Both he and his wife are devout members of the Lutheran church.

He married, January 1, 1868, Libbie Markley, from near Lewistown, daughter of Henry and Harriet (Bair) Markley. Mrs. Markley was born in Baltimore and he in southeastern Pennsylvania. Each came with parents to Mifflin county, and here met and married; both were Lutherans. He died at the age of seventy-four and she died May 29, 1895. Children of Mr. and Mrs. McClintic: 1. Mary Minerva, born March 13, 1869; married Ezra T. Ealy and they live on the farm of Mr. McClintic; they have one daughter, Allegra Josephine. 2. Margaret May, born November 6, 1873; married Professor James F. Wills, superintendent of schools of Mifflin county; they have four children: Margaret Rachel, Mary Jane Elizabeth, Nellie Allegra and James Henderson. 3. Marian Markley, born May 26, 1894; a student in Belleville high school.

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Although of English antecedents, George Adam Gardner, the founder of this branch of the Gardner family in the United States, came from Holland. He settled prior to the revolution in what is now Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, near Philadelphia, and with his son John served in the revolutionary army, fighting at Germantown. He married and left sons, John and George Adam, also two daughters. He moved later in life to Lancaster county, where he died.

(II) George Adam (2), son of George Adam (1) Gardner, was born in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. His elder brother, John, fought at the battle of Germantown and later moved west, settling in Ohio. George Adam accompanied his father to Lancaster county, later lived near Harrisburg, and finally, about the year 1800, moved to the Kishacoquillas Valley, settling in Armagh township, where he engaged in farming. About the year 1836 or 37 he moved to Venango, Pennsylvania, where he bought a farm of one hundred and sixty acres on which he lived until his death in September, 1855, at the age of ninety-two years. He was an ardent Democrat, and during the "Whiskey Insurrection" served with the government forces under General Lee. He was educated in German only, having no knowledge of the written English language. He was a member of the Lutheran church and a man of good standing. He married, about 1793, a Miss Kearns. Children: 1. John, lived in Mifflin county until after the death of his first wife, then settled at La Harpe, Hancock county, Illinois, where he was concerned

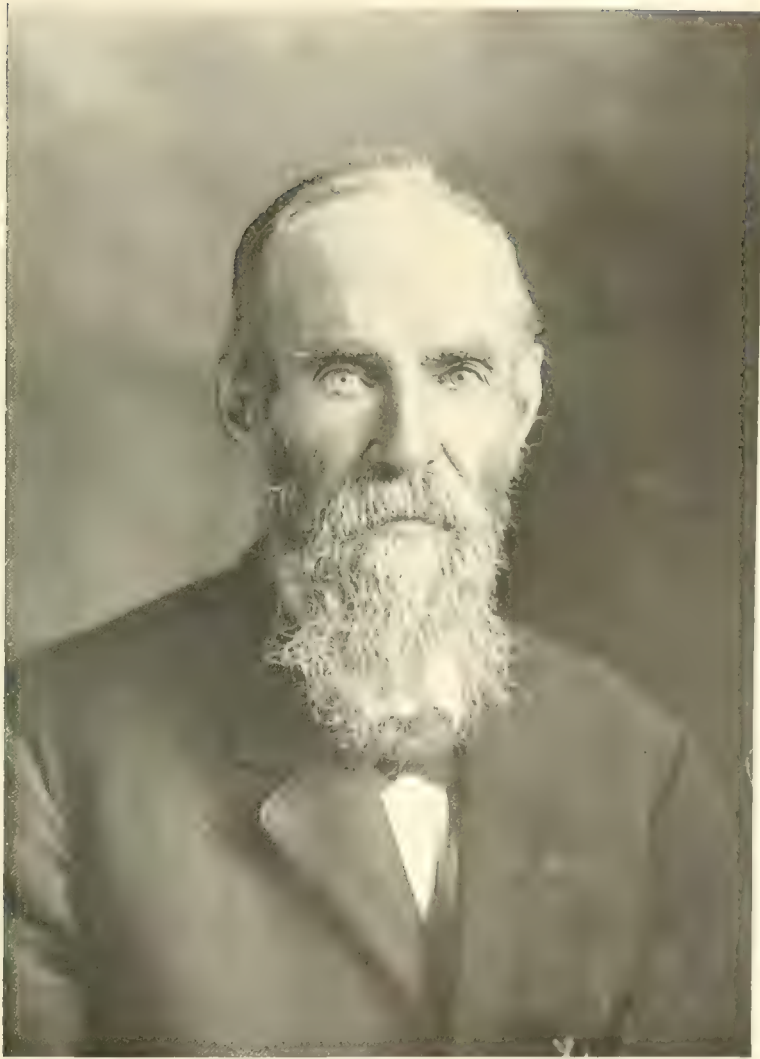
in the movement that drove the Mormons from Illinois; he died aged about eighty-one years; he married (first) a Miss Williams, (second) Mrs. Jane Stone. 2. Sophia, remained with her father until his death; she never married. 3. Abram, of whom further. 4. Christina, married Alexander Orr, a farmer of Decatur township, where both died. 5. Mary, married Samuel Huston, lived in Venango county, Pennsylvania, where both died and are buried at Mickleville. 6. George, married Betsy O'Neil and had thirteen children; he was a farmer of Venango county. 7. Thomas Kearns, died in Venango county; was a farmer; he married (first) a Miss Jolly, (second) a Miss Donaldson, who died leaving a daughter, after which he married a third time. 8. Catherine, married Samuel Bushey, a farmer of Venango county, where both died.

(III) Abram, son of George Adam (2) Gardner, was born in Lykens Valley, near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in 1805, died in Columbiana county, Ohio, in December, 1863. He attended public school, and moved with his parents to Mifflin county, where he married and lived until 1855, engaged in laboring and farming near Reedsville. After his family was grown he moved to Columbiana county, Ohio, and there purchased a farm of one hundred and thirty-three acres on which he lived until his death in his fifty-ninth year and is there buried. During the Mexican war he offered his services as a volunteer, but was rejected. He was a strong Democrat, held several local offices, and was a devoted member of the Presbyterian church. He married Nancy, born in the Wyoming Valley, died about 1867, daughter of John and Jeannette (Williams) Huston, both born in Ireland, of land owning families. After their marriage they came to Pennsylvania, finally settling in Mifflin county, where both died in Brown township. He is described as a small man but "stout and sturdy." Both were members of the "Seceder" church, as was their daughter Nancy. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Huston: 1. Letitia, married Allen McAlevy, a son of General McAlevy, of McAlevy's Fort; they moved to Illinois, where both died. 2. Nancy, married Abram Gardner. 3. Ann, married James Estill and died in Columbiana county, Ohio. 4. Thomas, lived and died in Stone Valley, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. 5. Mary, married Benjamin Creswell and both died in Stone Valley. Children of Abram and Nancy Gardner: 1. James H., died in Venango county, Pennsylvania; was a carpenter; married Harriet Kerns and left issue. 2. George, lived and

died in 1911 in Mifflin county; was a farmer; married Nancy Aultz and left issue. 3. Catherine, married Edward Garside; died in Ohio. 4. John, married in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, but died in Ohio. 5. William C., of whom further. 6. Levi, a farmer and stock raiser, died in Ohio; married Lucinda Camp. 7. Jane, married a Mr. Kern and died within a year after her marriage.

(IV) William C., son of Abram and Nancy (Huston) Gardner, was born at Barrville, Brown township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, September 22, 1835. He attended school at the old "Back Mountain" school house, and a term at Tuscarora Academy under Professor J. H. Shoemaker, which was interrupted by the removal of the family to Ohio. After a few years in Ohio spent in farming, he returned to his native county and during the winter terms taught school. He then took a course at Millersville State Normal, whence he was graduated in class of 1862. He left there with other students and enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Twenty-second Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving nine months under Captain (Professor) A. R. Byerly, seeing hard service with the Army of the Potomac, taking part in the bloody battles, Second Bull Run, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. He served out his term of enlistment and was honorably discharged, May 17, 1863, and then returned to Mifflin county. He again taught in the public schools of that county, then for four years was principal of the high schools at Gardner and La Harpe, Illinois. He again returned to Mifflin county, where for several years he taught in public schools and was principal of Stone Valley Academy in Huntingdon county. In 1875 he was elected superintendent of instruction for Mifflin county, serving one term of three years. After his term of office expired he returned to his profession and taught continuously until 1895, when he retired with an enviable record as an educator of youth. In 1900 he was elected justice of the peace, an office he yet holds through successive reëlections. In this office he is more the peacemaker than the magistrate, settling all cases possible without recourse to the law. His long years spent in the different school rooms of the county, and as county superintendent, brought him in contact with so many people of all ages that he is perhaps the best known man in the entire county. His life has been a useful one, but the results of the good seed sown, the encouraging words dropped, can never be known, but all over this broad





*W. C. Gardner.*



land are men and women who can trace their success in life to the wise counsel and encouragement of the "Village schoolmaster." In his latter years many such instances have been revealed to him and surely they must be a rich recompense for his many years of unselfish effort to help others the better to fight life's battles. He is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Presbyterian church, which he has served as trustee.

He married (first) September 22, 1865, Martha Jane McClure, born in Juniata county, daughter of Duffield McClure. She died December 9, 1871, leaving a daughter Edith, born July 31, 1866, now a graduate nurse of Hartford, Connecticut; a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and unmarried. He married (second) September 22, 1875, Margaret Ann, daughter of Thomas Jefferson and Margaret (Fleming) Wilson, both born in Mifflin county of the old and well known county family of that name. Children: 2. Nancy Margaret, born December 19, 1882; graduate of Belleville high school and Grove City College, now assistant principal of the former school. 3. Anna Wilson, born August 11, 1885; graduate of Belleville high school and an attendant of Grove City College; she is now a teacher in the public schools.

Special mention should be made of special work done by Professor Gardner. In 1847 he first joined a Presbyterian Sunday school and has ever since taken an active interest in that department of church work. He graduated from pupil to teacher very early and as teacher and superintendent has been continuously in service for over half a century. He is yet in the work, and every Sunday teaches the International Bible lesson in two Sunday schools in Belleville, the Presbyterian and the Methodist. Recently his long length of service in Sunday school work was recognized by the Pennsylvania Sunday School Society by the presentation to him of a suitable medal. Truly his has been a wonderfully full life and no man can measure the harvest.

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Joseph Hartzler Byler, of Belleville, Pennsylvania, a Swiss BYLER by direct descent and a born and bred American in the truest sense of the word, comes from honorable people on both the paternal and the distaff side. Both the Byler and Hartzler families are reckoned among the most substantial in Pennsylvania, and

have contributed their quota to the wealth, prosperity and upbuilding of the state.

(I) Rev. John Byler, among the first of the name born in the United States, was of straight Swiss descent. The family lived for hundreds of years in an Alpine valley in the homes that they inherited from their sturdy progenitors. He was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, when that country was yet young. He moved to Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, and settled near Allensville, in Menno township. He died there and was the first adult male to be buried in the Amish Mennonite cemetery, near Allensville. He followed farming as an occupation and was a bishop of high standing in the Amish Mennonite church. He was one of the prominent men of his township and was known far and wide for the exceeding fairness of his judgment. He accumulated considerable property, among it being a farm now owned by Joseph Kanagy.

(II) Joseph, son of Bishop John Byler, of the Amish Mennonite church, was born, reared and married in Allensville. He married Mary Lantz, a daughter of a neighbor of the same faith as himself. After their marriage he purchased the interest of the other heirs in his father's farm and lived there for some time. Later he bought a farm near Coldwater, Union township, and there he died at a good old age. He followed agriculture as a life pursuit, making it bring him good results. He lived a quiet, uneventful life, devoted to his faith and the Amish Mennonite church; a good neighbor, a staunch friend commanding the respect of all coming in contact with him. He was an active supporter of the Republican party, especially locally, though never holding office. Children: Elizabeth, Leah, John L., of whom further; Joseph, Benjamin, Solomon, Jonathan, David, Isaac, Eli, Mary and Samuel. David, Eli and Samuel live in Mifflin county, and Mary, the wife of David Blank, lives in Lancaster.

(III) John L., son of Joseph and Mary (Lantz) Byler, was born in Mifflin county, in 1827. He married Elizabeth Hartzler, born in 1826, in Mifflin county, and lived after marriage for five years in Union county (see Hartzler line). John L. moved next to Mifflin county, where he purchased a small farm in Union township. He died here, October 23, 1866, at the age of thirty-nine, of creeping paralysis. Both he and his wife were members of the Amish Mennonite church, of that locality. His wife married a second time, becoming the wife of Chris-



tian Zook, and after his death moved to Goshen, Indiana, where she makes her home with her daughter, Eri. Children: 1. Eli, lives near Newton, Kansas, where he farms. 2. Eri, widow of Rufus Yoder, makes her home at Goshen, Indiana. 3. Joseph Hartzler, of whom further. 4. Christian, lives in Champaign county, Ohio, a farmer and a minister of the Mennonite church. 5. Mary, married Joseph E. Hartzler, and lives in Cass county, Missouri. 6. Hannah, married Samuel Plank, now living in Goshen, Indiana. 7. John, in mercantile business in Newton, Kansas.

(IV) Joseph Hartzler, son of John L. and Elizabeth (Hartzler) Byler, was born August 7, 1853, in Kishacoquillas valley, Union township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. Like his forbears, he is of that hardy Swiss stock that long since has taken deep and permanent root in American soil. The family has flourished and grown strong in numbers, in importance and in this world's goods. He was educated in the public schools of the township and was reared in the free life of the farm. When quite a boy he went to live with an uncle at Allensville, where he attended the village school. Leaving school he selected farming as his occupation. After some years on the farm of his father-in-law, David J. Zook, he bought the Byler homestead of twenty-four acres, and there lived twenty years, doing general farming. For the past twenty-eight years he has been a minister of the Amish Mennonite church, having success in his ministerial work. He is held in high esteem by not only those of his own faith, but all those who know him. He is a devout man, but broad minded and kindly, and commands the respect and love of his associates. He is a Republican in politics, working in a quiet way for the ticket, but he has never aspired to office and has never held any. He married (first) January 3, 1878, Nancy Zook, a native of Mifflin county, daughter of David J. Zook, like himself a devout member of the Amish Mennonite church. She died March 7, 1907. Children: 1. Lydia A., married Jacob A. Hartzler, and died in June, 1909, leaving four children: Carrie, John, Maud and Anna L. 2. John Ira, lives in Toronto, Canada, where he has charge of a Mennonite mission church; married Amanda Froyer; three children: Harold, Orpha and John. 3. Carrie E., married John Yoder; lives near Bellesville, Pennsylvania; children: Paul and Elma. 4. David, died in infancy. 5. Sadie, attends Bible school in Toronto, Canada. 6. Joseph, at home

7. Titus, died aged four years. 8. Ida Ruth. 9. Naomi. He married (second) February 11, 1909, Mrs. Elizabeth Spicher, a native of Mifflin county, daughter of John Zook. In all of Mifflin county there is no one who is more highly respected than Mr. Byler, and his family stands for sobriety, honor and right living.

(The Hartzler Line).

On the distaff side Mr. Byler descends from an honest, hard working, conscientious family of men and women. His maternal grandparents were Christian Hartzler and his wife, Elizabeth Kauffman, who were among the early settlers of Union township, where he lived and died on the farm that he owned for years. Both belonged to the Amish Menonite church, and they were God-fearing, law-abiding citizens of Pennsylvania. Christian Hartzler was of direct Swiss descent, the family coming from near the line, which is largely German. His wife was of pure German extraction, and came from the large family of Kauffmans scattered the length and breadth of Germany. Their children were: Hannah, Nancy, Sarah, Samuel, Lydia, Elizabeth (see Byler III), Eri, who married Jacob Detweiler and makes her home in the south; Fannie and John.

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William Vollmer, of Burnham, Pennsylvania, exemplifies to a marked degree what energy, perseverance and well directed ambition will accomplish. He is of that all-conquering strain that time and circumstances never daunt, German-American. Since the year 1837 the Vollmers have added to the wealth, energy and greatness of the United States, bringing from the Fatherland indomitable will and a determination to succeed, which in the end bring desired results.

(I) Henry Vollmer, father of William Vollmer, was born in 1816, at Gemmershein-on-the-Rhine, Germany, of good, honest, well-to-do parents, who had long made their home in that romantic part of the Fatherland. At the age of twenty-one, in 1837, the spirit of adventurous youth and enterprise induced him to try his fortunes in the United States, and he crossed the Atlantic, landing at New York. Later he went to Philadelphia, where he located, securing employment with the J. and J. P. Steiner & Company, a large mercantile house of that city. From

an humble employee he rose to one position after another, later being admitted as one of the firm, and remained with Steiner & Company until they closed their business for two years during the civil war. In the meantime he had married Louise Steiner, born in Philadelphia, in 1824, but like himself of German parentage. They lived in comfortable circumstances and reared a family. After the closing of Steiner & Company, Mr. Vollmer entered business for himself, having with him his two sons, at No. 1 Bank street, Philadelphia. The business greatly prospered for several years and was increasing in every way until the panic of 1873, when like so many other firms many established much longer than his, he was forced to close. He retired to private life, lived quietly, and died in Philadelphia in 1905. His wife died in 1895. He was a staunch Republican and worked for the party, but neither held nor aspired to office. Children: 1. Emma, married I. L. Register; living in Ardmore, Pennsylvania. 2. Henry, deceased. 3. Ida, died in infancy. 4. Amanda, died in infancy. 5. Phillip, a representative of the Lawrence Cement Company, of Philadelphia. 6. William, of whom further.

(II) William, sixth and youngest child of Henry and Louise (Steiner) Vollmer, was born in Philadelphia, April 24, 1861. He received his preparatory education in the public schools of the city, finally entering the Philadelphia Polytechnic School, where he threw himself heart and soul into the prescribed course. Owing to financial circumstances he was compelled to forego the pleasure of graduating, and left school one year previous to that anticipated event. He entered at once the employ of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, of Philadelphia. He gave all of his spare time to the study of machinery, increasing his knowledge thereby. For eleven years he was an integral part of the vast works, and identified himself in every way with its interests. At the end of that time the company, recognizing merit, ability and loyalty, rewarded him by making him assistant superintendent, a position he held with credit to himself and the satisfaction of the company until October 17, 1910, when he was offered and accepted the place of superintendent of the Standard Steel Works, at Burnham, Pennsylvania. He holds that position at the present time.

Mr. Vollmer employs three thousand men, and the products turned out for a large and ever increasing market are, steel castings, tires,

rolled wheels, springs, iron and malleable castings. The output is shipped to the four quarters of the United States, Japan and the British colonies. The plant is running to its fullest capacity, and the demand for its products exceeds the supply. This has largely been accomplished through the broad constructive talent and farsightedness of Mr. Vollmer, his quick appreciation of events and his ability to adapt himself, and the business which he superintends, to them. He is an extremely modest man, unassuming, but in a quiet and supremely effective way he has advanced the efficiency of his numerous employees to a standard that is rarely equalled, and never surpassed, in similar works. He is not aggressive in the ordinary sense, only progressive, and has risen to the topmost rung of his chosen business, in which he has been engaged unremittingly for thirty-five years. He is persevering, mastering every detail, however minute or dull; is conservative, prompt, decisive and cool, with a determination to succeed that in the end generally makes for success. He maintains no elaborate suite of offices with flunkies to guard the doors, but is in the main room of the general office. He is always willing and pleased to listen to the humblest of the employees of the works, thus evincing his spirit of true American democracy and his inherited German love of justice. The keynote of his character is a desire to see everyone get "a square deal," and the motive of all his actions is to produce results. He married, in 1891, Gwenllian Hunt, born at Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Joshua Hunt, a member of a family of English descent, long established in America, the progenitor of which came over in colonial days. Mrs. Vollmer's maternal grandfather, David Thomas, was the pioneer manufacturer of pig iron from anthracite coal, and is called the father of that special industry, carried on at Catasauqua, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Roger H., a bright student in the department of agricultural engineering in the Pennsylvania State College. 2. William S., attending the Culver (Indiana) Military School.

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Robert and Hannah Pennell settled in Middletown PENNELL township, now Delaware county, as early as 1686 and are the founders of the Pennells of Chester and Delaware counties, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. They came from Boulderton, in Nottinghamshire, England, bringing a certificate from "Friends



at Ffulbeck", issued the third day of the fifth month, 1684, in conjunction with Thomas Garrett, Hugh Rodnell, Henry Pennell and Richard Parker "with their wives and children intending to transfer themselves beyond the seas into East Jersey in America".

A John Pennell was in this country as early as 1689, residing in the vicinity of Darby and then a young man. In 1703 he married Mary Morgan, of Dublin Monthly Meeting, and settled in Concord township. But little is known of John, but Mary, his wife, became eminent as a minister among Friends. She was born in Radnorshire, Wales, was educated in the Church of England, but at the age of thirteen years, she became convinced of the truth of the doctrines of the Quakers. When sixteen years of age she came to Pennsylvania and soon afterward united with the Friends Society, becoming a minister in 1722, and traveled extensively in the exercise of her holy calling, visiting the New England colonies and once going to Great Britain and Ireland.

Robert Pennell in 1687 was appointed constable of Middletown township and was a farmer in fairly good circumstances. His wife Hannah died in 1711, aged seventy-one years, he surviving her several years, until 1728. Children: Hannah, married John Sharpless, of Ridley; Joseph, married Alice, daughter of William Garrett, of Darby; Ann, married Benjamin Mendenhall, of Concord; and William, married Mary, daughter of Thomas and Mary Mercer, of Thornburg. From Robert and Hannah Pennell sprang Isaac Pennell, born in Delaware county, died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He was a member of the Society of Friends in good standing, as was his wife Jane. Children: John, died in Harrisburg; Joseph, of whom further; Sarah, married William Hutton, whom she survives, a resident of Philadelphia; Mary, married William Hinkson and died in Philadelphia.

(II) Joseph, son of Isaac and Jane Pennell, was born in Philadelphia in 1832, died in Wilkesburg, Pennsylvania, February 19, 1904, and was brought to Mifflintown for interment. He was educated in the Friends School in Philadelphia, and prior to his marriage came to Mifflintown in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad. He entered mercantile life in Mifflintown after his marriage and continued without intermission until 1900, being at the time of his retirement one of the oldest merchants in the borough. He was an honorable, energetic and prosperous business man, and while not strict in his views, was a Quaker

by birthright and inclination. He belonged to the Masonic order and was a man well liked and most highly respected. A Republican in politics, he never sought or accepted public office. He married in Mifflintown, Rebecca Mickey, born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, in 1839, daughter of Frank M. and Elizabeth (Souders) Mickey, both born in Perry county. Frank M. Mickey was a supervisor of the Pennsylvania railroad and early located in Mifflintown, where he was a captain of the military company, a member of the Lutheran church and a Republican; children: Rebecca, married Joseph Pennell, whom she survives, a resident of Pittsburgh; Lewis, a veteran of the civil war, resides in Baltimore, Maryland; Jacob, died in Shamokin, Pennsylvania; Ann, married George Anderson and resides in Altoona, Pennsylvania; John, now living retired in Mifflin, Pennsylvania; Robert, now residing at Alexandria, Pennsylvania, in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad; Kate, died unmarried. Children of Joseph and Rebecca (Mickey) Pennell: Frank M. M., of whom further; William, now cashier of the Postal Telegraph Company at Pittsburgh; Amy, married Thomas Evans and resides in Avalon, Pennsylvania; Clarence, who is now in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad, and is residing at Wilkesburg, Pennsylvania.

(III) Frank M. M., eldest son of Joseph and Rebecca (Mickey) Pennell, was born in Mifflintown, Pennsylvania, February 28, 1862. He was educated in the public schools of the borough, then entered Millersville State Normal School, whence he was graduated, class of 1882. After teaching in the public school one year, he began the study of law, reading under the preceptorship of Louis E. Atkinson, an eminent lawyer, and was admitted to the Juniata county bar in 1885. Although entitled to practice, he desired still deeper knowledge of the law and he entered Albany Law School, Albany, New York, one of the very oldest and best law schools in the United States, from whence he was graduated LL.B., class of 1886. Returning to Mifflintown, he entered into partnership with his former instructor in the law, and as Atkinson & Pennell, they conducted a successful general practice in county, state and federal courts of the district, until Mr. Atkinson's death in 1910. Since then Mr. Pennell has conducted business alone. The firm was among the leaders at the county bar and bore a reputation for honorable, upright dealing, coupled with a legal learning and skill that attracted the best

class of business. The offices are yet retained in Mifflintown, where Mr Pennell conducts his legal business upon the same high plane of honor and efficiency. He has few outside interests, the law being to him a jealous mistress and to his profession he gives the best of his learning and talent. He has banking interests in the Juniata Valley National Bank and is a director of the Mifflintown and Patterson Water companies. He was one of the charter members of the Pennsylvania State Bar Association and also secretary of the Juniata Bar Association. In politics he is a Republican and from 1887 to 1890 was the elected district attorney of Juniata county. He is solicitor for the fifth district of the Pennsylvania railroad, and occupies a similar position with the Tuscarora Valley railroad.

He married, December 28, 1887, Ida, daughter of James and Mary (Ewing) McCauley, of Mifflintown; children: Rebecca, died aged four years; Edred J., born December 29, 1890, graduate of Mifflintown high school and Gettysburg College, class of 1912, now a student at the University of Pennsylvania. The family are attendants of the Presbyterian church, Mr. Pennell being a member of the Mifflintown congregation.

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The Neelys are first mentioned in Juniata Valley records NEELY in 1773, in Lack township, Juniata county, tax lists. They are of the Scotch-Irish stock so potent and so prominent among the "makers" of Pennsylvania and, as one writer states, "the race that never bred a Tory." The emigrant came from county Londonderry, Ireland, prior to the year 1750.

(I) The first record obtainable is of William Neely, whose boyhood was spent near the present town of Roxbury, Franklin county, Pennsylvania. He had a brother, Robert Neely, two years younger, who was stolen by the Indians about 1750, being then five years of age. He was reared by the tribe which captured him, taught their ways, adopted and given an Indian maid for his wife. The following letter written by Colonel James Perry, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a cousin of William Neely and of the captured boy (the original of which is now in the possession of Margaret J. Neely, of Galveston, Indiana), furnished the information which led to the identification of Robert Neely as the captive:

"Pittsburgh, Oct. 22, 1805.

"Dear Cousin:

"Tho' you and I are so nearly related, I do not know that ever a line passed from you to me or from me to you. I have often Tho't that it could not be for want of friendship or natural affection, as I conceive we are both possessed of it. I would rather impute it to thoughtless negligence. I came to live in this place last spring, to keep store. I, perhaps, may continue some time. My family, a number of girls, are grown up, three of them married. My two sons are now beginning to be able to do business for me. This day William Cinney called on me, on his return home. He told me you were anxious to hear from your brother, Robert, which I do not in the least doubt. I have, a few weeks since, received information of him. I had often heard of such a person, somewhere near the lakes. After I came to this place last spring, I heard of him on Buffalo Creek, about five miles from the Lake and eighteen above Niagara. I wrote a few lines to him, to know whether he was the same Robert Neely, which I suspected he was, and received an answer from Mr. Granger, Indian Agent, informing me he was the same. I had not given him any account of his friends until I was certain he was the person. A copy of Mr. Granger's letter you have, as follows:

"'Buffalo Creek, Aug. 13, 1805.

"'Sir: Your letter to Robert Neely, dated April 21, was lately put into my hands. There is no doubt but the person, by the name of Robert Neely, living with the Seneca Indians, about five miles from this place, is the person whom you inquire for. He has often mentioned to me the place where he was taken and some circumstances respecting his family, which correspond with your description. Previous to reading your letter to him, he was questioned on the subject. He said he lived near Connocogeague Creek, that he went with his uncle, Perry, to feed cattle, that his uncle was killed by the Indians and he was taken; that his father and mother were dead, that he had a sister and he thinks he had a brother. Robert does not appear to have a perfect recollection of his family relations, but says he believes you are his cousin. He has mentioned to a person here that his father used to make whiskey. He is a man of about sixty years and his looks indicate living a long time with the Indians. He has imbibed their habits. He is very honest and industrious and gets a good living in their way. He still retains his native language, but speaks the Indian tongue better. He was very glad to hear from you, and requests me to write to you for a more particular account of his family; says he thought his relations were all dead. He does not recollect anything about Braddock's defeat.

"'I am Sir, your obedient humble serv't,

"'ERASTUS GRANGER, Agent of Indian Affairs.'



“Col. James Perry.

“I have written to him as particular account of his friends as I could collect. I have never heard anything of your sister, Mary, since she went to Virginia, so that I could give very little account of her. I wrote to him that I thought you or some of your sons would go and see him as soon as you heard where he was.

“I am, dear cousin, with respect,

“Your humble serv’t,

“Mr. William Neely.

JAMES PERRY.”

James Neely, son of William Neely, upon the knowledge contained in this letter, visited his uncle and tried by every inducement to bring him back to his family, but in vain. Devoted to his squaw, and inured to the life of the red men, neither the ties of blood nor the attractions of civilized life had any power over him.

Early in life William Neely settled in Lack township, Juniata county, purchasing a tract of land from the Indians, which he cleared and improved, there residing until his death. The farm was held in the Neely name one hundred years until 1873; later it became the property of Robert Robinson. Mr. Neely was a Presbyterian, a prominent member of the church of that faith at Waterloo, Juniata county. He married Sarah Harvey, of Path Valley, Franklin county, and had issue: 1. John, of whom further. 2. William, married, in 1802, on the same day as his brother John, a sister of his brother's bride, Miss McFeaters, and died two weeks after his marriage. 3. James, married Martha McConnell and had two daughters: Mary, died in July, 1866, and Eliza, married Robert Alexander, moved to Wooster, Ohio, where she died. 4. Nancy, died in infancy.

(II) John, eldest son of William Neely, was born in Lack township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, June 20, 1774, died August 5, 1849. He also became a farmer, purchasing a tract of land in Tuscarora township, same county, on which he resided until his death. He married Margaret McFeaters, in 1802, and reared a large family. She died July 24, 1845. Children: 1. William (2), died in Juniata county, November 10, 1872; married Mary McConnell, January 30, 1834; she died July 14, 1864; children: Margaret Jane, of Galveston, Indiana; Thomas McConnell, of Greenfield, Adair county, Indiana; John Harvey, of Norwich, Page county, Iowa; Mary Adelene, married Joseph Gray, of Gal-

veston, Indiana; Rachel Lucinda, married Peter Sassaman of Kokomo, Indiana; Nancy Anna, married Samuel McCulloch, of Shenandoah, Iowa. 2. James, married Margaret Alexander and moved to Ohio, where he died without issue. 3. Mary, died January 5, 1881; married William I. Patterson, died August 24, 1846; children: Robert H., deceased, a farmer of Tuscarora township, Juniata county; Oliver J., moved to Shenandoah, Iowa; Nancy, married William I. McCulloch and moved to Shenandoah. 4. John (2), of whom further. 5. Robert Harvey, died March 30, 1887; married Rachel Beale; children: James H., Charles, Ella F., and Mary P., died August 29, 1889. 6. Sarah, died November 7, 1883; married John McCoy and left three sons and three daughters, residing in Ohio; children: Margaret Ann, John Neely, William Kennedy, David, Mary, Ellen.

(III) John (2), fourth child of John (1) and Margaret (McFeaters) Neely, was born in Tuscarora township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, June 6, 1814. From the age of three until his death at nearly four score years, he lived on the old homestead, one of the most productive and beautiful farms in the township. He attended the subscription schools, where his thirst for knowledge and studious habits enabled him to acquire a good education in spite of their limited advantages. He became a prosperous farmer, his energy, industry and diligent business methods enabling him to acquire a competence. He was liberal in the education of his children, and his every thought was to equip them for lives of usefulness. His devotion to his family and to his church were ruling characteristics, and to further their interests he spared not himself. As the Neelys had been for generations, he was a Presbyterian, belonging to the Middle Tuscarora Church. He died at his farm in Tuscarora township, May 30, 1892, aged seventy-seven years, eleven months and twenty-five days.

He married, January 13, 1853, Margaret Jane Ewing, born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, November 20, 1831, who survives him (1913), their married life extending over a period of nearly forty years. Children: 1. William A. K., married Azile M. Burchfield, of Mifflintown, and moved to Wayne, Nebraska. 2. Virginia M., died November, 1910. 3. James M., died September 6, 1862. 4. J. Howard (twin of James M.), of whom further. 5. Anson Gilroy, died August 15, 1862. 6. S. Arminia, married L. A. Bower and resides in Denver, Colorado. 7.

Peorus A., now a farmer on the old homestead; married (first) Anne Robinson, (second) Mrs. Margaret (Speer) McCulloch, widow of George McCulloch. 8. Rev. David T., a minister of the Presbyterian church, now of Baltimore, Maryland; married Sarah Shelley. 9. Dr. Edgar C., a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, now a practising physician of Newville, Pennsylvania; married Mary Dougherty.

(IV) J. Howard, fourth child and third son of John (2) and Margaret J. (Ewing) Neely, was born at the old homestead, Tuscarora township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, September 7, 1858. After a course in the public school, he entered Millersville State Normal School, in Lancaster county, whence he was graduated, class of 1879. He then took a preparatory course at Airy View and Tuscarora academies, entered Princeton University, whence he was graduated with degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1884, and three years later the degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon him. This study was not continuous, as an interval of some years occurred between his normal and academic course, during which he was engaged in teaching, and in 1879 and 1880 he was principal of the Hummelstown, Dauphin county, schools. After graduation from Princeton he resumed teaching, holding positions in Airy View and Mifflintown academies. During that period he began the study of law under the instruction of Alfred J. Patterson, of Mifflintown. He continued legal study under Mr. Patterson until his admission to the Juniata county bar, August 26, 1886, then became his partner, practising as Patterson & Neely until 1892. In 1890 Mr. Neely was elected district attorney for Juniata county, serving three years. In 1892 the partnership existing as Patterson & Neely was dissolved and since the dissolution Mr. Neely has practised alone in Mifflintown. He is devoted to his profession and gives to the business entrusted him his entire time and energy. He is a Democrat in politics, as was his father, and has always taken an active interest in public affairs. He is a member of Union Lodge, No. 324, Free and Accepted Masons, Newport Chapter, No. 238, Royal Arch Masons; Lewistown Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templar, and in Scottish Rite Masonry, thirty-second degree, belongs to Harrisburg Consistory. In religious faith he is a Presbyterian, both he and his wife belonging to the Mifflintown Presbyterian church.

Mr. Neely married, December 31, 1891, Ella K., daughter of Wil-

liam and Jennie E. (Hamlin) Banks, of Mifflintown. Children: Lucien Banks, born March 3, 1893, died November 29, 1893; J. Howard (2), born November 22, 1894, now a student at Princeton University, class of 1916; William Hamlin, born February 2, 1896, a graduate at Harrisburg Academy, class of 1913; Helen, born December 27, 1899; Margaret Banks and Elizabeth Banks, twins, born September 21, 1902.

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Although the emigrant ancestor of the Pomeroy's of POMEROY Port Royal, Pennsylvania, came to this country from Liverpool, England, where the family had been seated for several generations, he traced to French ancestry. The family was originally a noble one of France, the name Pomeroy signifying "Royal Apple". They were Protestants and, at the time of the massacre of St. Bartholomew, one of the family was apprised of his danger by the daughter of a French nobleman, in whose family he was teaching, and succeeded in making his escape to Ireland. Later the young lady joined him and they married, rearing a family, some of whose descendants became merchants and business men of Liverpool, England.

(I) From this branch came Thomas Pomeroy, a merchant of moderate means, located in Liverpool, who about 1730 converted his property into cash and came to America, settling near the present village of Roxbury, in Franklin county, Pennsylvania. He purchased and cleared a farm, and died about 1770, leaving a widow Margaret, and eight children. She died 1777. His sons were: Thomas (2), of whom further; John, George and Samuel; all except Thomas moving west.

(II) Thomas (2), son of Thomas (1), the settler, and Margaret Pomeroy, was born in Lurgan township, Franklin county, Pennsylvania, 1733, and so far as known was the first white child born in that township. He became a prosperous farmer, remaining on the old homestead near Roxbury, of which he was the owner. He was a man of prominence and endured all the dangers and horrors of life on the frontier, losing his wife and two children at the hands of the Indians. He lived on the homestead all his life, and was a man of standing in his community. He married a Miss Reynolds who, as stated, was murdered by the Indians, together with two of her children. A son who survived was Thomas (3).

(III) Hon. Thomas (3) Pomeroy, son of Thomas (2) Pomeroy,



was born near Roxbury, Franklin county, Pennsylvania, July 11, 1801, died January 13, 1871. He had a limited public school education, but was of superior mind and by reading, self study and observation became well informed and prominent. He grew up at the home farm, but quite early in life was apprenticed to his uncle, William Reynolds, who taught him the art of tanning leather. After completing his years of service as an apprentice, he engaged in the same business for himself at Roxbury, later engaging in mercantile business and in lumbering. He invested his profits in timber lands near the North mountains, and also in farms near Roxbury, becoming one of the substantial men of the day and neighborhood. In 1844 he was elected commissioner of Franklin county, discharging the duties of that office with such credit that in 1851 he was elected associate county judge. He is described as a man "of popular manners, of unbending integrity, of considerable energy of character and ardently attached to the fortunes of the Whig party". His record in private and public life was an honorable one and wherever known he was highly respected.

He married, March 18, 1832, Mary Ann, born May 30, 1811, second daughter of Colonel Stephen Wilson. In 1879 she moved to Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, where she died in 1882. They were the parents of nine children, of whom William Culbertson Pomeroy was the youngest. Andrew A., fourth son of Hon. Thomas Pomeroy, was born and reared in Roxbury. He was an Abolitionist from his youth, and so outspoken was he that he was known as the "Young Abolitionist". He enlisted August 9, 1862, in Company H, 126th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and except for a period of sickness following the battle of Antietam, was in active service until his death at the battle of White Oak Road, March 31, 1865. He was wounded, previously, in the battle of Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863. Under a second enlistment he was a private of Company I, 108th Pennsylvania Volunteers; was promoted first lieutenant, September 14, 1864, and held that rank at his death. A brother of Lieutenant Pomeroy was a captain of the same regiment; Stephen W. Pomeroy and his brother John were both ministers of the Gospel. The Grand Army Post at Roxbury is named the Lieutenant A. A. Pomeroy Post, No. 295, in honor of the brave lieutenant.

(IV) Hon. William Culbertson Pomeroy, son of Hon. Thomas (3) and Mary Ann (Wilson) Pomeroy, was born at Roxbury, Franklin

county, Pennsylvania, November 24, 1851; died of pneumonia contracted while on duty in the house of representatives, at Harrisburg, February 21, 1907.

He attended the public schools and worked in his father's store in boyhood, entering Tuscarora Academy at Academia, in Juniata county, when nineteen years of age, and thence was graduated in 1873. Later he supplemented the practical business experience gained in his father's store in youth, by a course in a business college. He began his banking career as clerk in the Juniata Valley Bank, at Mifflintown, and in 1876 was transferred to a branch of that bank located at Port Royal. He was appointed cashier of the branch bank, a position he filled until 1894. In the latter year he was prominently connected with the organization of the Port Royal Bank, under the firm name of Pomeroy & Company, an institution of which he was one of the first board of directors and the first cashier. He had a long and honorable career as a banker; was a director of the Juniata Valley Bank of Mifflintown, and of the First National Bank of Middleburg, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, and an official of the Port Royal Bank until his death. He was prominent in organizing the First National Bank of New Bloomfield and was president at his death. He was an executive manager of high ability, was accurate and exact in every transaction, was a thorough master of the laws governing finance and gave to the safeguarding of the investments of his depositors most scrupulous surveillance. His long, honorable and successful career won him a place among the leading men of the Juniata Valley, where his memory is warmly cherished.

He was a lifelong member of the Republican party and a potent factor in establishing the principles of that party in the Juniata Valley. He served in various township offices, and in 1882 was elected to the house of representatives, being one of the youngest members of that body, and was again elected, serving in 1904-06, performing his duties with fidelity and devotion to principle.

He married, March 20, 1879, Ellen B., daughter of Dr. E. D. Crawford, of Mifflintown, Pennsylvania, a prominent physician, a man of education and intellectuality, state senator of Pennsylvania, and of the highest character in professional, public and private life. Mrs. Pomeroy survives her husband and now resides in Port Royal. Children: Mary Wilson, married Norman B. Kurzenknabe, and resides at No. 1010

North Third street, Harrisburg; Darwin Crawford, of whom further; Gertrude Murray, Ellen Culbertson and Pamela Jackson.

(V) Darwin Crawford, only son of Hon. William Culbertson and Ellen B. (Crawford) Pomeroy, was born at Port Royal, Pennsylvania, January 13 1883. He was educated in public schools there, prepared for and entered Lafayette College, whence he was graduated, electrical engineer, class of 1905. He at once entered the employ of the Westinghouse Electrical & Manufacturing Company, of Pittsburgh, and in 1906 was transferred to special work in the city of Baltimore, remaining there until the death of his father in 1907, when he resigned to assume the duties of executor and administrator of the Pomeroy estate. In 1907 he was elected assistant cashier of the Port Royal Bank and in January, 1911, was advanced to the responsible position of cashier, which he most capably fills at this date, 1913. He is also a manager of the Port Royal Gas Company, and has other varied business interests. His college fraternity is Phi Delta Theta (Lafayette), and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church of Port Royal.

He married, April 11, 1912, Esther Clarkson Russell, a descendant of James Russell, the early settler near Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, 1750. His son, Alexander, married May McPherson and had a son William, who was a prominent early banker of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, his being at one time the only bank between Harrisburg and Williamsport. He married Mary Grace Mayer and their son, George Louis Russell, now president of the Belleville National Bank, was for many years his father's partner in banking. He married Anna Leah Brisbin, and their fourth child, Esther Clarkson Russell, born May 16, 1887, married Darwin C. Pomeroy.

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Samuel Gilbert Beaver, of Port Royal, Pennsylvania,  
BEAVER descends in a direct line from good German stock. The family has been established in America one hundred and seventy-three years, and has added to the material progress and social and religious advancement of the state of Pennsylvania. The family has always been noted, even from the earliest times, for its honesty, sobriety, keen sense of justice toward its fellowmen, as well as its deep religious convictions and wide philanthropy.

(I) George Beaver, the great-great-grandfather of Samuel Gil-

bert Beaver, emigrated from Germany in 1740. He probably landed at New York, and after looking around the new country finally decided to cast his lot with the settlers of Pennsylvania. He located among the pioneers of Chester county, purchased land, cleared and cultivated it and erected on it a comfortable house of unhewn logs, and here installed his family some years later. He took part in all of the Indian wars of that locality, and they were many, and proved the worth of his musket to the early settlers. He was appointed as one of the watch to keep an espionage on the red men, and so well did he perform his duty that he came to be regarded by the Indians as something supernatural and with an uncanny prescience of their plans. At the call to arms in 1776, though somewhat advanced in years, he enlisted in the continental army and fought under General Anthony Wayne, who always led his men where the danger was greatest. With him were five of his sons, two of whom were mere lads, and who lost their lives in defense of the independence of their country. At the cessation of hostilities he returned to his farm and again took up the peaceful vocation of farming. He died on the land that he first bought and is there buried. He married a native of Pennsylvania, it is thought, though her name is unknown. Children: 1. George, of whom further. 2. Jacob. 3. Abraham. 4. Hannah, married a Mr. Rosenberger, of Lebanon, Pennsylvania. 5. Hon-deter, killed in the revolution. 6. Benjamin, lost his life in the war of the revolution.

(II) George (2), son of George (1) Beaver, the revolutionary war patriot, and himself a soldier in the same war, was born May 1, 1755, in Chester county, Pennsylvania. He was a member of a corps of rangers organized for the purpose of protecting the scattered pioneer families from the Indians. He was a farmer and helped reclaim from the wilderness the fertile acres which he cleared, cultivated and on which he built a house of logs. He married Catherine Keefer, the daughter of a neighbor. Children: 1. Peter, of whom further. 2. Mary, married a Mr. Gudekuntz. 3. Samuel, died in South America. 4. Hannah, married a Mr. Gudekuntz, the son of a neighbor. 5. Betsy, married a Mr. Edwards. 6. Peggy, married a Mr. Gudekuntz. 7. George, died in Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, in 1868. 8. Sarah, married a Mr. Delaney. 9. David. Three daughters, names unknown.

(III) Rev. Peter Beaver, son of George (2) and Catherine (Keefer)

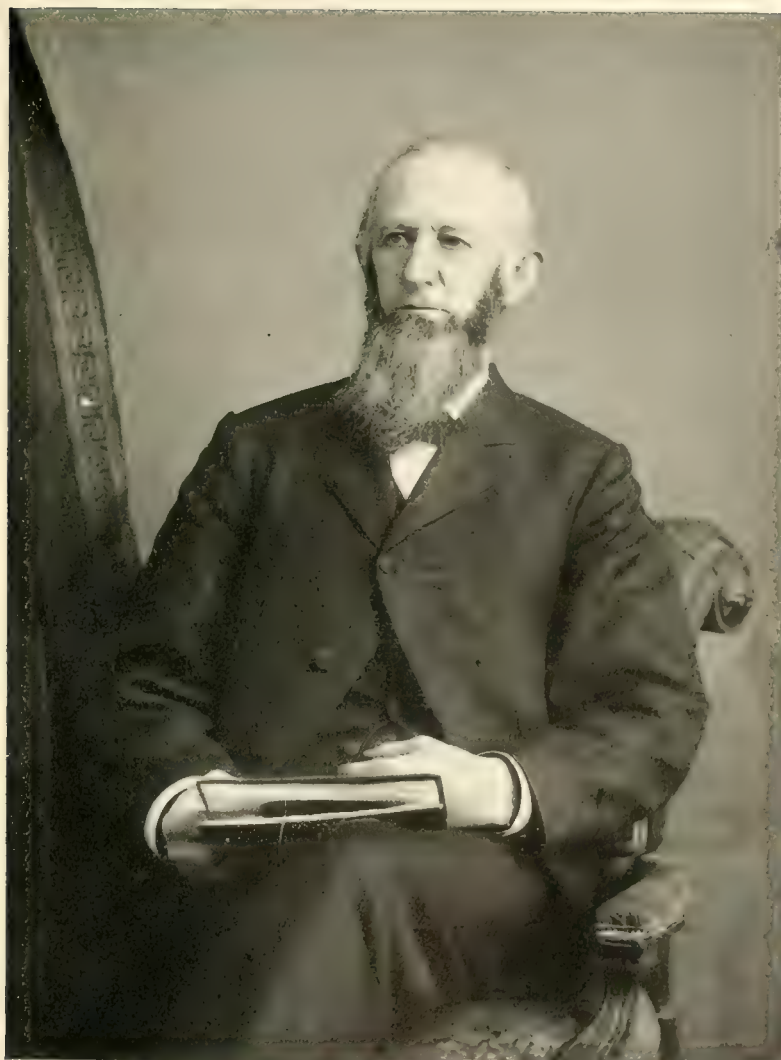


Beaver, was born December 25, 1782, in Lebanon county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the common schools of the day, and engaged in farming. Feeling a call to preach he was ordained at Elkton, Maryland, by Bishop Asbury of the Methodist Episcopal church. He preached many years in both English and German in order that the English speaking as well as the German speaking members of his congregation might have the full benefit of the Gospel. He engaged in the mercantile business in Pfoutz Valley, where he died August 25, 1849, greatly mourned by his congregation, neighbors and friends. He married Elizabeth Gilbert, who died before him. She was of an English family that had long been established in America, and was a woman of great piety as well as physical courage. She was in every way a fit helpmeet for the pioneer preacher. Children: 1. George, of whom further. 2. Samuel, born 1804, died March 20, 1834; married Maria Lehman. 3. Jacob, married Eliza Adams; died 1840. 4. Jesse, born March 8, 1810, died December 9, 1892; married Mary Ann Schwartz. 5. Thomas, born November 16, 1814, died in Danville, May 16, 1891. 6. Peter, born June 28, 1816, died June 13, 1890; married (first) a Miss Simonton; (second) Mrs. Elliott. 7. Sarah, born November 25, 1817, died in Ohio, September 13, 1892; married Aaron Nevins. 8. Eliza F., born in 1818. 9. Catherine, born June 25, 1819; married Rev. Archibald Greenlee. 10. Mary, born November 22, 1820; married Henry Miller. 11. Elmira, born May 9, 1839, died December 13, 1859. 12. Amanda, deceased. 13. Lydia, deceased.

(IV) George (3), son of Rev. Peter and Elizabeth (Gilbert) Beaver, was born in Lebanon county, Pennsylvania, September 24, 1802, died December 31, 1878. He was educated in the public schools in the county. He learned the tanner's trade at Stumpstown. He conducted business in Pfoutz Valley, Perry county, for some time. In 1830 he purchased the farm that his son Samuel afterward owned and tilled. He was a Democrat until 1854, when he affiliated himself with the Know Nothing party, and later became a Republican, to which he was allied at the time of his death. He at one time conducted an independent Democratic journal, afterwards it became the *Republican People's Advocate and Press*. He was a popular politician in his early days and served in the state legislature, having been elected in 1841 on the Democratic ticket. He served as county commissioner in 1833-34 and was urged to accept it a third

time, but declined. He married, April 15, 1827, Maria Catherine Long, daughter of Jonathan Long. They were both members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and were generous in their support of it. Children: 1. Mary Ann, deceased. 2. Elizabeth, deceased; married George M. Brubaker. 3. Samuel Long, of whom further. 4. Sarah Catherine, deceased. 5. Sophia, married D. M. Rickabaugh; died in 1912. 6. Peter, deceased. 7. George E. 8. Ellen Jane, married Uriah Shuman, deceased.

(V) Samuel Long, son of George (3) and Maria Catherine (Long) Beaver, was born March 2, 1831, died January, 1910. He was born in an old log house on the farm he owned at time of his death, and which is known far and wide as the Beaver homestead. When he was fifteen years old he helped to carry the brick for the house which supplanted the old log house. He was educated in the common schools of the county, which were held for only three months of the year, and his attendance was curtailed by his having to leave before the session was finished to work on the farm. He remained at home until he was twenty-one when he was engaged as salesman in the store of his brother-in-law, at Millersburg, Dauphin county, Pennsylvania. After his marriage he lived on the home farm for three years, and then bought one hundred fertile acres in Perry Valley, which he cultivated for twelve years, bringing it to a high state of productiveness. He was a Republican and held the political offices of county auditor and school director. He was connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, but at the time of his death was a member of the United Brethren church. He contributed generously to the cause of religion and benevolence throughout his lifetime. After the death of his wife he moved to Millerstown and there lived the remainder of his life, retired. During the civil war he was drafted for service, but after a medical examination at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, was rejected. He was one of the most highly respected citizens of his town, county and state, and was universally regretted at his death. He married, June 12, 1862, Mary Eliza Kipp, born at Milroy, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, October 1, 1838, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Harmon) Kipp (see Kipp II). Children: 1. Thomas K., born January 8, 1864; was first a farmer and is now merchant at Academia, Juniata county, Pennsylvania; married Fannie Seiber, of McAlisterville, Pennsylvania. 2. William A., born May 5, 1865; married Emma Troutman, of Greenwood township,



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Perry county, Pennsylvania; he is a farmer at Academia. 3. Laura, born November 22, 1866; married Lewis Zeigler, deceased. 4. George E., born June 10, 1868; married Jennie McLain; lives on homestead. 5. Jennie, born May 25, 1871, died in infancy. 6. Samuel Gilbert, of whom further. 7. Bessie, born August 1, 1875, died in infancy. 8. Mary Ella, born November 2, 1877; married Harvey L. Ulsh. 9. Elizabeth, born December 1, 1880; married Isaac N. Rinehart; lives at Farmer City, Illinois. 10. Minnie C., born August 8, 1884; lives in Millerstown.

(VI) Samuel Gilbert, son of Samuel Long and Mary Eliza (Kipp) Beaver, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, August 6, 1873. He was educated in the common schools of the county and at Juniata College, where he made a record as a student. Leaving college he was engaged as salesman by his brother, Thomas K., at Academia, from October 2, 1894, until 1905. He became ambitious to branch out for himself, and in 1905 established a general store at Mexico, Pennsylvania, and remained there two years. He moved to Port Royal in 1907 and established a department store with a stock of about six thousand dollars. By keen insight, a close and careful management, a desire to please his patrons of all classes and kinds, he has succeeded in more than doubling his capital invested in the business. He is eminently a successful business man and a live wire in his town, commanding alike the respect and admiration of his fellow townsmen. In politics he is a Republican, and has been school director for three years. He is one of the substantial, thorough-going men of his community, and it is confidently predicted of him that his past successes will be duplicated in the future. He is a member of the Lutheran church, while his wife's affiliations are with the Presbyterians. He married, May 17, 1895, Laura Jane Seiber, a native of Juniata county, daughter of Abraham and Henrietta Seiber. Children: Paul Seiber, Mary Henrietta, Chester Lloyd, Margaretta, died in infancy.

(The Kipp Line).

Holland contributed the Kipps toward the building up of America. The immigrant progenitor of the Pennsylvania family of that name most probably came direct from Amsterdam and settled in New York state with other Hollanders. There he lived, married, reared a large family and died. One of his descendants was Peter, of whom further.

(I) Peter Kipp was of straight Dutch descent. He was born in the state of New York, but came to Pennsylvania when a young man. The records of the war department show that he enlisted January 1, 1777, in the continental army, served as sergeant in the Sixth Company, Captain Fleming's artillery, and he held the rank of corporal. His name was on the rolls until June 10, 1783. At the close of the revolutionary war Peter Kipp went to Bucks Valley, Perry county, Pennsylvania. He married Margaret Finton, of the Valley, and settled there. He was a tailor and plied his vocation as a journeyman from house to house, as was customary in those days. Later he settled in Greenwood township, and died, about 1827. Margaret, his wife, survived him and died in Delaware township in 1840, having been a pensioner of the United States government as widow of a revolutionary soldier. Children: 1. Peter, a farmer; settled in Perry county, moved later to Juniata county, and there died. 2. Isaac, a miller; died in Juniata county. 3. William, a wagon maker; settled and died in Millers-town, Pennsylvania. 4. Jacob, of whom further. 5. John, wagon maker; located in Center county, later at Newport, Pennsylvania, and there died. 6. Margaret, married a Mr. Parsons; settled in Bucks Valley, where both died.

(II) Jacob, son of Peter and Margaret (Finton) Kipp, was born in Bucks Valley, Perry county, Pennsylvania, February 6, 1806. He was educated in subscription schools and was adjudged an excellent scholar for those times. He taught two terms, after which he learned wagon making with John Shull at Millerstown, Pennsylvania. He married Elizabeth Harmon and after marriage moved to Milroy, Mifflin county, where he followed his trade for twelve years, and for three farmed. In 1851 he moved to Greenwood township, where he farmed for ten years, and then farmed in Tuscarora township for five years. In 1866 he returned to Greenwood township and purchased the Daniel Kauffman farm near the Wardville postoffice, on which his father died, and where he later died, March 10, 1896, at the age of ninety. His wife died some years previous. He served in several township offices with great credit to himself and benefit to the township. He was a highly intelligent and progressive man and wielded a great influence for good in the community. Children: 1. Margaret, died young at Milroy. 2. William, born at Milroy, August 12, 1836; lives in Millerstown. 3.

Mary Eliza, born at Milroy, October 1, 1838; married, June 12, 1862, Samuel Long Beaver, born March 2, 1831, died January, 1910 (see Beaver V). 4. J. Calvin, lives at Millerstown. 5. James M., a farmer. 6. Sarah Jane, married J. Kohler Peck, of Snyder county. 7. J. Harmon, a farmer in Greenwood township.

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The Shelley and Gingrich families were early in Lancaster county, the Gingrich tracing to David and Anna Gingrich, whose son David (2), born March 18, 1791, died July 24, 1858, was the ancestor of Christian Gingrich, the father of Catherine Gingrich, wife of Henry Shelley and grandmother of Dr. Amos W. Shelley, of Port Royal, Pennsylvania. The Shelleys are of German descent, three brothers of the name having settled in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, at an early date, coming from Germany.

(I) This record begins with Henry Shelley, born in 1815, came to Juniata county, Pennsylvania, when a young man, married and settled at East Salem, Delaware township, where he followed farming. He was also a minister of the Mennonite church and a man of usefulness. He married Catherine Gingrich, also of German descent, born in Juniata county. She was a daughter of Christian and Nancy (Musser) Gingrich, both members of the Mennonite church, he a blacksmith and farmer, formerly from near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, later moved to Thompsettontown, Juniata county, where he purchased and cleared a farm of two hundred acres and there both he and his wife died, leaving an only child, Catherine. Henry Shelley and wife lived on the Gingrich homestead, which she inherited and there both died, he in 1850. Children: Henry, died in infancy; Jacob, died in infancy; Nancy, married William Benner and both died near Evandale; Susan, married Samuel E. Warner of Juniata county, Pennsylvania, whom she survives, a resident of Evandale; Christian G., died 1904, a farmer near the old homestead; Samuel M., died at Norristown, Pennsylvania, December 19, 1881, a school furniture agent; Isaac, died aged fifteen years; John H., now a railroad employee of Michigan City, Indiana; Amos W., of whom further.

(II) Dr. Amos W. Shelley, youngest son and ninth child of Henry and Catherine (Gingrich) Shelley, was born at East Salem, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, July 26, 1850. He attended the public schools

of the township until he was fourteen years of age, then for another year the McAlisterville school. During the winter of 1866-1867 and 1868 he taught school, and in 1869 entered the State Normal School at Bloomsburg, continuing two years. The winter of 1871 he taught school at Gallion, Ohio, and then decided to prepare for the profession of medicine. He was successful as a teacher, although young, but gave promise of attaining distinction had he remained at that profession. In the spring of 1872 he began the study of medicine under Dr. H. R. Kelley, of Gallion, then entered the medical department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, attending lectures there for one year. In 1873 he entered Bellevue Hospital Medical College (New York), whence he was graduated M. D., March 1, 1874. In April of the same year he began the practice of his profession, locating at Port Royal and forming a partnership with Dr. G. M. Graham. This association continued two years, when Dr. Shelley withdrew and established in practice at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, remaining eight months. He then returned to Port Royal and resumed practice and is now (1913) the oldest medical practitioner in Juniata county, in point of years of continuous practice. His practice has always been general in character, embracing both medicine and surgery. He has always had a large practice and is well known for his skill in both diagnosis and treatment. He is a member of the State Medical and Juniata County Medical societies, well known and honored in both. He has always borne his full share of public responsibility and in town and church has labored for the cause of morality and education. For many years he was a member of the Port Royal board of school directors and in the Presbyterian church has been for many years an elder. He is a member of the United States board of pension examiners, in which he has served sixteen years. In political faith he is a Republican, but supports principles and chooses men of character for his candidates, rather than those of a particular party. His life has been spent in the service of his community and there his long period of usefulness is recognized and fully appreciated. He is a member of the Masonic order, belonging to Union Lodge, No. 324, Free and Accepted Masons, Mifflintown; Newport Chapter, No. 238, Royal Arch Masons; Lewistown Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templar, and Zembo Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Harrisburg.

Dr. Shelley married, at Port Royal, in December, 1874, Annie M.,



daughter of Samuel L. and Sarah (Davis) Herr, of Juniata county. Children: Sarah H., married Rev. David T. Neely, a minister of the Presbyterian church, now of Baltimore, Maryland; Gertrude May, died in infancy; Edith, died in infancy; Mary M., married James L. Stewart, now a contractor of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; J. Warren, died August 15, 1907, a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, served seven years as interne of the Pottsville Hospital; Anna M., a graduate of Wilson College, now residing in Port Royal; Penrose H., graduate of Bucknell College, and of Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, served as interne for eighteen months in Philadelphia General Hospital, now a practicing physician of Hublersburg, Pennsylvania, married Mabel Pickering, of Philadelphia.

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The Furmans came to Lewistown from Northumberland county, Pennsylvania. Isaac Furman, grandfather of Scott Furman, of Lewistown, was a blacksmith, later a clothing merchant of Sunbury. He died in 1910, his wife Elizabeth preceding him to the grave. Among their children was a son, Nathan F.

(II) Nathan F., son of Isaac and Elizabeth Furman, was born in Irish Valley, Northumberland county, Pennsylvania. He obtained a good education and early entered mercantile life; later established a general furniture and house furnishing business at Sunbury, Pennsylvania, where he conducted a prosperous business and now lives retired. He is a Republican in politics and a member of the Lutheran church. He married Sarah Waldsmith, deceased, also a native of Northumberland county. Children: Herbert I.; Scott, of whom further; Annie E.; Belle, and Jerome.

(III) Scott, son of Nathan F. and Sarah (Waldsmith) Furman, was born in Sunbury, Pennsylvania, October 12, 1876. He is a graduate of Sunbury high school, then learned the plumbing trade, and in 1899 came to Lewistown and there entered the employ of W. B. Bratton, as plumber, continuing with him until 1905, when he formed a partnership and established in the plumbing and heating business in Lewistown, under the firm name of Furman & Oles. He is well established, has a good business and resides at No. 20 Chestnut street. Mr. Furman enlisted in 1898 in Company E, Twelfth Regiment Pennsylvania Troops, serving until the close of the Spanish-American war. He is a Republican

in politics, and both he and his wife are attendants of the Presbyterian church.

He married, June 16, 1907, Nettie Rountree, of Lewistown, daughter of William Rountree, deceased, a pioneer of Mifflin county .

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The early records of the Sheary family lead to Lancaster SHEARY county, Pennsylvania, to George Sheary, born in that county, but later a pioneer of Union county, Pennsylvania, where he followed his trade of tailor and cultivated a farm near Mifflinburg. He and his wife, Fannie Young, were both members of the Lutheran church. Of their thirteen children all are living except one. George Sheary died aged eighty-one years, his wife at the age of seventy-nine years.

(II) Samuel F., son of George and Fannie (Young) Sheary, was born in Lewisburg, Union county, Pennsylvania, 1840. He was well educated and learned his father's trade of tailor. Later he located at Peen's Creek, where he taught school and was postmaster for eighteen years. He is a Republican in politics and a member of the Lutheran church, also of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married Eva Hartman, born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, in 1844, daughter of Jacob Hartman, an early settler and farmer of Snyder county, and his wife, Rachael Yeisley, also a native of Snyder county. Children of Samuel F. Sheary: Albert, deceased; Ellen; George W., mentioned below, and Jennie.

(III) George W., son of Samuel F. and Eva (Hartman) Sheary, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, November 2, 1872. He attended the public schools, obtaining a good public school education. He learned the carpenter's trade and in 1898 settled in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, where he followed his trade until 1894, becoming a well known, prosperous and reliable contractor and builder. In 1904 he established a hardware business at No. 28 Valley street, moved in 1905 to No. 37 Valley street, and in 1908 to his present location at No. 50 Valley street. He built his present commodious store in 1907 and there conducts a prosperous business. He has his home on Pennybaker avenue, and has other residence properties in Lewistown. Mr. Sheary began in a small way, but has worked his own way to a secure position in the business world, of which he is an honored, respected member. He

is a Republican in politics, a member of the Lewistown Board of Trade, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Modern Woodmen of America. In religious faith he is of the Evangelical church.

He married, November 3, 1896, Minnie Grace, daughter of Christian Stine. Child, George William Jr., born May 9, 1904.

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The branch of the Dipple family in the United States  
DIPPLE descends from George H. Dipple, who lived and died in Germany, leaving male issue.

(II) John H., son of George H. Dipple, was born in Germany, died in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, in 1872. He was well educated, served his time in the German army, and was a potter by trade. After coming to the United States he settled, in 1852, in Lewistown and there engaged in the manufacture of pottery until his death. He was a Republican in politics and a Lutheran in religion. He married, in Lewistown, Margaret Peters; she was born in Germany, died in Lewistown in 1902. Children: George, deceased; John H., deceased; Margaret; Annie; Andrew G. C., of whom further; Ida; Viola, deceased; and Charles.

(III) Andrew G. C., son of John H. and Margaret (Peters) Dipple, was born in Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, October 13, 1860. He was educated in the public school of Lewistown, and grew up with an intimate knowledge of the pottery business from boyhood. He worked with his father until the death of the latter, when his son, John H. Jr., continued the business for his mother. In 1902 Mrs. Dipple died and the business was continued by J. H. Dipple Jr. until 1906, when Andrew G. C. Dipple became sole owner and so continues. Thoroughly understanding every detail of his business, Mr. Dipple has successfully continued the plant established by his father and has gained an enviable reputation in the trade. His energy and careful business methods have brought the deserved reward, and he is ranked among the substantial men of his town. Since a boy Mr. Dipple has been devoted to music, and in his sixteenth year became a member of the Lewistown band, in which he still retains membership and an active interest. He belongs to the Patriotic Order of Sons of America, the National Protective Legion, and is a member of the Evangelical church.

He married, December 20, 1888, Mary A. Lawyer, of Wagner, Pennsylvania. Children: Herman A., Mary, Dora and John.

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Parks Murtiff, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, is lineally MURTIFF descended from a German family of the same name, the members of which have for centuries made their homes near Stuttgart, Germany, where they were, and are, farmers and mechanics, that class of people most approved by the German Kaiser. The first of the name to come to the United States was George, of whom further.

(I) George Murtiff was born in Germany and emigrated to the United States when quite young, landing in New York. Later he found his way to Pennsylvania and located in Adams county, where he followed the family pursuit of farming, as he had done in the Fatherland. He purchased land between Bendersville and Idaville and there settled, lived and died. He married Margaret —, a native of Pennsylvania, but probably of German descent. They both died on the Murtiff farm. Among his children was Emanuel, of whom further.

(II) Emanuel, son of George and Margaret Murtiff, was born in 1827, in Adams county, Pennsylvania. He married Mary Jane Shuff, born in 1830, in Adams county, daughter of George and Rebecca Shuff; George Shuff was a blacksmith and was known far and wide as a master of his trade. After marriage Emanuel Murtiff went to Mexico, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, and attended a lock on the Juniata canal for about eighteen years, becoming known, and favorably so, to the travelling public. In 1889 he gave up the position that he had so long and faithfully held and moved to Lewistown, Mifflin county, and made his home with his son, Parks, until the final summons came in 1909. He was ever a staunch Democrat, voting the straight ticket. Both he and his wife were devout members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Children: Parks, of whom further; Anne and Cora.

(III) Parks, son of Emanuel and Mary Jane (Shuff) Murtiff, was born in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, August 21, 1858. He was reared on the banks of the Juniata canal, where he early imbibed broad and helpful views of life, which have stood him in good stead in his subsequent dealing with mankind.

Mr. Murtiff received his education in the common schools



of that section. Leaving school while yet a youth he began driving a canal boat. His first venture in that occupation was the canal boat "The Delaware," of Mifflintown, under Captain William Sellers; and Mr. Murtiff made the first trip on the "J. S. Grabill Jr.," of Mifflintown, under Captain D. S. Louder, on her maiden voyage. As the years passed he became, successively, steerer and then captain. He purchased a canal boat, the "Manbeck and Nelson," named for the large and important firm of Manbeck & Nelson, grain and coal dealers of Mifflintown, which is still engaged in the same business. He afterward sold the "Manbeck and Nelson" at a profit. November 12, 1889, he engaged in the hotel business at McVeytown, taking over the Mansion House, in which enterprise he was successful, knowing exactly how to please the public. This he retained for six years and built up a large patronage by his courteous treatment of the public and his genial manners. He went to Lewistown and was proprietor of the Miller House for three years. He took over the Central Hotel and remodeled that hostelry, making it one of the most comfortable ones in the place. May 1, 1905, he purchased the St. Charles Hotel, in Lewistown, and has since been its proprietor, establishing an enviable name for himself as a boniface and making his house one of the best known in that section. Besides the St. Charles Hotel he owns a fine farm in Mifflin county. He is a Democrat and has always worked for the party, but has never held nor asked for office. He is a member in high standing of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and of the fraternal Order of Eagles, as well as the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married in October, 1887, Margaret Carpenter, of Lewistown, daughter of Byron and Maria D. (McAllister) Carpenter, of Lewistown, (see Carpenter line). Children: Esther, married John Hassen and has one child, John Parks; Marguerite, Parks, Jr., and Byron.

(The Carpenter Line).

Gabriel Carpenter, grandfather of Margaret (Carpenter) Murtiff, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and came from an English family of that name, the immigrant of which crossed the Atlantic about 1664. He married Mary Pines, who was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, December 25, 1809, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Miller) Pines. Gabriel Carpenter and his wife moved to Juniata county and

lived in various places, his vocation, that of teamster, making change of residence necessary frequently. He died in Reward, Perry county, and his wife died August 4, 1892. Children: 1. Jacob, deceased. 2. John, deceased. 3. Gabriel, deceased. 4. Byron, of whom further. 5. Giles, lives in Braddock, Pennsylvania, a blacksmith; he married Catherine Louder. Their children: Floyd, Florence, Nellie, Harry and Earl. 6. Elizabeth, deceased. 7. Susan, deceased. 8. Mary, married (first) Charles Thompson and by him was the mother of four children: Nancy, Martha, Andrew C. and Annie. She married (second) Enoch Castine, and the children by this marriage are: Edward, Harry and John. 9. Matilda, deceased.

Byron Carpenter, son of Gabriel and Mary (Pines) Carpenter, was born February 23, 1843, in Juniata county, Pennsylvania. He married, April 14, 1865, Maria D. McAllister, born in Huntingdon county, October 2, 1843, a daughter of Samuel and Rachel (Brannen) McAllister. Samuel McAllister, father of Maria D. (McAllister) Carpenter and grandfather of Margaret (Carpenter) Murtiff, was born in 1806, in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He married Rachel Brannen, born in Maryland, in 1802. He was the son of Gresham and Nancy (Bryan) McAllister. Children: 1. Jane. 2. Rebecca. 3. Eliza. 4. William. 5. Sarah Ann. 6. Margaret Ellen. 7. Maria D., married Byron Carpenter (see above). 8. Samuel. Samuel McAllister died in 1861, and his wife, Rachel (Brannen) died in 1892. Rachel (Brannen) McAllister, wife of Samuel McAllister, was a daughter of William and Mary (Gladden) Brannen. He was born in Franklin, and she in Scotland, and they were married in Franklin county, Pennsylvania. They both died in Franklin county.

Byron Carpenter was reared in McVeytown, and was educated in the public schools of Mifflin county, and moved to Lewistown when a young man. During the civil war, February, 1862, he enlisted in Company F, 107th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until the cessation of hostilities. He was with his regiment in the three days' battle at Gettysburg, and saw active service during the years of his enlistment. At the close of the war he returned to Lewistown and worked in Furnace from 1866 to 1877. For thirty-six years he has been sexton of the Lewistown Methodist Episcopal church and cemetery. He is a staunch Republican, and with his wife, is a member of the Methodist Episcopal





*J. W. Headings*



church. They have one daughter, Margaret, born September 12, 1866, married Parks Murtiff. (See Murtiff III).

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The Headings, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, trace to HEADINGS the early settlement of Allensville, Menno township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where several branches of the family were early settlers. Philip Headings built a grist mill in Menno township, in 1827, which he operated until 1834. This mill passed through the hands of several owners until 1865, when it again came into the possession of a descendant of Philip, one William Headings, who owned it until 1872, when he sold it to William Mateer.

(I) Isaac Headings was born in Allensville, Pennsylvania, and there grew to manhood. He married, and for a year farmed at Allensville, then purchased a farm near Milroy, and there engaged in farming for thirteen years. He then bought a tract of about five hundred acres at Honey Creek station, and there lived for twenty-one years, farming and lumbering, clearing the greater part of his tract. He then retired to Reedsville, where he purchased a home and lived the remainder of his life. He was a Democrat in politics, and for thirteen years was a school director and supervisor. Both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. He married Maria Metz, daughter of a miller and justice of the peace of Mill Creek, Pennsylvania. Children of Isaac Headings: 1. Jacob, died in youth. 2. John, died unmarried, aged twenty-seven years. 3. Robert, married Florence Alexander, and is a farmer near Milroy, Pennsylvania. 4. Samuel, now a farmer near Sigersville, Pennsylvania; married (first) Priscilla Byler, (second) Miss Yocum. 5. Oliver, now a general merchant at Milroy, Pennsylvania. 6. Dr. Isaac, a practicing physician of McAllistersville, Pennsylvania. 7. Amy, married W. J. McNilt, a fruit farmer, near Milroy. 8. James, married Rhoda Beatty, and farms the old homestead. 9. Marshall, a druggist, lives in Pittsburgh (South Side). 10. Prestie M., of whom further. 11. Rhoda, married Daniel Smith and resides at Williamsport, Pennsylvania. 12. Harry, now proprietor of a general store at Reedsville, unmarried. 13 and 14, died in infancy.

(II) Prestie M., son of Isaac and Maria (Metz) Headings, was born on the farm, near Honey Creek station, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, October 19, 1876. He was educated in the public schools of Milroy, and

at Millersville State Normal, and taught for two years after leaving the normal. He then entered Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, whence he was graduated 1901. After receiving his diploma he was employed as a registered pharmacist in the drug store of H. M. Address, at Homestead, Pennsylvania, for two years, and for the succeeding two years occupied the same position with A. C. Hyde, at New Castle, Pennsylvania. On January 1, 1905, Mr. Headings purchased from the heirs, the drug store of G. C. Dippery, in the Harris Block, on East Market street, Lewistown, and for two years conducted a successful drug business at that location. He then moved to the Will Lind building, now owned by the Methodist Episcopal church, remaining there four years. He then purchased of A. C. Mayes, his present store at the Five Points or Fountain Square, where he has a handsomely equipped, well-stocked and well-patronized store, with a varied line of cut glass, china, drugs, confectionery, fine stationery, fountain—in short, a modern drug store. He is also interested in the American Druggists Syndicate, a wholesale manufacturing and jobbing drug association. He is a Democrat in politics, a member of the Masonic order, and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church.

He married, in June, 1900, Estella Hayes, born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, daughter of L. O. Hayes, a retired coal dealer, of Pittsburgh. Children: Isabel, Louis and Gladys.

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The father of Rev. George Joseph was Benjamin Joseph, JOSEPH of England, an early manufacturer of iron nails. He lived and died in England, married Selina Monn, and reared a family of six children.

Rev. George Joseph was born in England, March 7, 1846. He was educated in the public school and worked with his father until he reached legal age. In 1866 he came to the United States, arriving April 21, and locating at Scranton, Pennsylvania. He prepared for the ministry of the Evangelical Association, now the United Evangelical church. His first pastorate was at Liberty, Tioga county, Pennsylvania, where he was located two years, 1876 to 1878. He served several churches in Pennsylvania, and in 1894 was called to the pastorate of Grace Church, in Lewistown, serving that congregation four years. Here his health failed and he was compelled to abandon his holy calling. Since his re-

tirement, Rev. Joseph has resided in Lewistown and has engaged in the real estate business. He has erected several residences on Shaw avenue and other streets, and contributed his full share to the progress of Lewistown. He has always, however, retained as great an interest in the religious welfare of the borough as when in the active ministry, and has at present charge of Trinity Mission in the sixth ward. He is a Republican in politics, and in 1910 was supervisor of the census in eight Pennsylvania counties. He has also served as chairman of the Millin county Republican committee.

He married in 1872, Agnes Gilmore, of Blossburg, Tioga county, Pennsylvania, daughter of William and Ann (Bonner) Gilmore, both born in Scotland, and early settlers of Tioga county, both deceased. Children of Rev. George and Agnes (Gilmore) Joseph: William, born March 22, 1874, died August 11, 1874; Annie, born July 20, 1875, died September 13, 1892; Samuel, born June 30, 1877; Benjamin F., May 17, 1879; Lydia W., July 21, 1882; George L., January 5, 1884; Sadie M., January 27, 1886; Grace, September 20, 1889.

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The Wollners, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, are of  
WOLLNER Austrian ancestry, descendants of Jacob and Anna  
(Friedman) Wollner, born in Austria, where they  
were educated, grew to adult age and married. Jacob was born in 1842,  
his wife in 1846. In 1868 they emigrated, landing in New York City, but  
the following year settling in Zanesville, Ohio. He was engaged there  
as a huckster until 1885, and accumulated sufficient capital to return to  
New York and engage in the manufacture of hosiery. He remained in  
New York two years, then returned to Zanesville, established a mercantile  
business, which he conducted successfully until his death in May,  
1906. He was a Republican in politics, and an Orthodox Jew in religion.  
His widow yet survives. Children: M. Joseph; Ben, of whom further;  
Henry, Alexander, David, married, November 7, 1912, Mary M. Sherman;  
Sarah, deceased; Paul; Isador, deceased; Bessie D.; H. Blanche and Louis.

(II) Ben, second son of Jacob and Anna (Friedman) Wollner, was  
born in New York City, July 12, 1868. His early life was spent in  
Zanesville, Ohio, where he was educated, following various kinds of  
work, until 1888, when he became interested in hides, and thoroughly

learned the business of selecting, grading and buying hides used in making leather. He worked in Zanesville for seven years, and traveled out of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as a hide buyer four years. He became an expert in his judgment on quality and value of hides, and was so well informed as to the condition of trade that in 1901 he availed himself of an opportunity to engage in business for himself. He formed a partnership with his brother, David, and they began business in the Quigley Warehouse, on Water street, Lewistown, as dealers in hides, wool and tallow. They began in a small way, but prosperity attended them, and in 1902 they moved to enlarged quarters on West Hale street, their present location. David Wollner is the inside man, and in charge of the Lewistown business, while Ben Wollner is buyer and traveling salesman. They do an extensive business, and rank with the substantial business men of their town. Both are Progressive Republicans, and Reformed Jews in religion. The senior member of the firm is unmarried.

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This family descends from German ancestors, the NIGHTHART first to arrive in the United States being John F. Nighthart, born in Germany, July 29, 1820. He was well educated, a fine linguist, speaking seven different languages fluently. He was a coach trimmer and saddler by trade. He came to the United States when a young man, and settled in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, where he died May 3, 1874. On February 18, 1865, he enlisted in Company C, Seventy-eighth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until September 11, 1865, when he was honorably discharged. He married Catherine E. Peters, born in Germany, February 3, 1830, came to the United States unmarried, and died in Lewistown, October 15, 1905, surviving her husband thirty-one years. She was a member of the Presbyterian church. Children: John H., born May 10, 1852, died November 1, 1906; William, living in Lewistown; Mary Ellen; Charles, of whom further; John L.; Frank.

(II) Charles, son of John F. and Catherine E. (Peters) Nighthart, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, April 21, 1860. He attended the public schools, and later learned the trade of printer. Subsequently he entered the employ of the Standard Steel Company, and is a worker in the hammer shop at the Steel Works. For the past twenty-six years he has been a breeder of fine poultry, specializing in Buff and White Leg-



horns and White Orphingtons, his pens containing prize winners at poultry shows. Mr. Nighthart is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Lutheran church. He is a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He married, in 1882, at Lewistown, Sarah Rebecca Grove, born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, daughter of George and Catherine (Decker) Grove, of Snyder county, later of Lewistown, where Mr. Grove died at an advanced age, May 29, 1905, his wife passing away in 1911, aged seventy-seven years. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Nighthart: George Edward, born July 13, 1884; Charlotte May, March 10, 1888; Lester Abbott, May 14, 1890. The family home is at No. 318 Valley street, Lewistown.

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Andrew Mayes, a farmer, of Center county, Pennsylvania, MAYES died April 8, 1827. He married Annie Shaw, who died January 28, 1831. Children: 1. Elizabeth, born May 15, 1788. 2. James, of whom further. 3. William, born March 16, 1792, died October 5, 1838. 4. Andrew, born October 7, 1797, died February 8, 1856. 5. Matthew T., born July 19, 1803, died August 31, 1845; married Martha Ewing; their daughter, Eliza A., married, September 15, 1864, George Washington Soult, who died October 3, 1882.

(II) James, eldest son of Andrew and Annie (Shaw) Mayes, was born in Center county, Pennsylvania, November 20, 1789, died February 4, 1829, meeting his death by an accident with a team and sled. He married Elizabeth Nagle and left issue, including a son, Thomas.

(III) Thomas, son of James and Elizabeth (Nagle) Mayes, was born in Center county, Pennsylvania, about 1815, and died in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. He grew to manhood in Center county, but when a young man settled in Lewistown, where he was engaged in stock dealing and farming, and was proprietor of a hotel. He was a Democrat in politics, a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows orders, and both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church.

He married Mary Ann Snell, born in Reading, Pennsylvania, died in Lewistown. Children: 1. Annie, married Oliver C. Chesney, whom she survives. 2. Albert C., of whom further. 3. Ella M., married, April 23, 1867, David Pratt, who was born in Sheffield, Massachusetts, September 20, 1842, son of Martin and Harriet (Buck) Pratt, both born in Massachusetts, he in 1795, she in 1801. Martin Pratt and wife moved to

Litchfield, Connecticut, where he died December 18, 1851, and she died there February 19, 1880, leaving four children, all now deceased. David Pratt located in Lewistown in 1869, and was a traveling salesman for his brothers, Harry and Riley Pratt, wholesale notions. Afterward he traveled for a Philadelphia firm, but retired later on account of his health, and died in 1907. He was a Republican in politics, a member of lodge, chapter and commandery of the Masonic order, and a Shriner of Lulu Temple, Philadelphia. He was also a member of the Red Men, Knights of the Golden Circle, and the Royal Arcanum, of Philadelphia. Both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Children of David and Ella M. (Mayes) Pratt: i. Albert, of Roanoke, Virginia. ii. Clarence B., of Lewistown. iii. Leila Mayes, deceased. iv. Bertha May, of Lewistown, a member of the Eastern Star and Daughters of Rebekah. v. Mary Willa; married Seward Campbell, of Buffalo, New York, and has Henry Albert and Edward Pratt. 4. John B., died aged eighteen years. 5. Elizabeth, married a Mr. Mitchell and resides in Salem, Kansas. 6. Benjamin F., died in infancy. 7. Laura, died in November, 1908, married Benjamin Pawling, of Lewistown.

(IV) Albert C., son of Thomas and Mary Ann (Snell) Mayes, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, September 7, 1844. He was educated in the public schools and Lewistown Academy, working for his father at the hotel during his earlier years. Later he became a traveling salesman for Hood, Bonbright & Company, corner of Eleventh and Market streets, Philadelphia, continuing for twenty-five years in that employ, a very capable and successful salesman. He then retired from "the road" and for five years was proprietor of the National Hotel in Lewistown. He then engaged in the real estate business in Lewistown, extending his lines gradually and doing a large business in Washington, D. C., and New York City, where he yet owns property. He also owns two farms at Siglersville, Mifflin county, and a beautiful home at No. 22 Brown street, Lewistown, where he now resides, retired from active business. He is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows orders of Lewistown.

Mr. Mayes married (first) in March, 1865, Mary Swain, of Lewistown, who died in 1868, leaving a son, Thomas E., now a druggist of Middletown, Pennsylvania. He married (second) Willa J. Smith, born in Siglersville, Pennsylvania, October 12, 1847, daughter of William and

Jane (Brown) Smith, born near Siglersville, where they owned a farm and both died, he in 1847, she in 1868; both members of the Presbyterian church. Jane Brown was a descendant of the early Brown family of Mifflin county, and a daughter of Judge John Brown. Child of Albert C. Mayes by his second wife, William Smith Mayes, now a steam-fitter and plumber of Lewistown.

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In 1738, when a large number of Scotch-Irish Presbyterians came to Pennsylvania, there were several by the name McKEE, who settled near Lancaster, Pennsylvania. They later separated, some going to Virginia, others going to Western Pennsylvania and the far west, others remaining and settling in what is now Cumberland county, near Carlisle. One of these was Andrew (1), the ancestor of Strode M. McKee, of Lewistown. The first of this branch in the Juniata Valley was Andrew McKee, of the second generation in Pennsylvania. He was born and lived in Cumberland county until after the revolutionary war, in which he served.

(II) Andrew (2), son of Andrew (1) McKee, was born in 1721. He served in the revolution and in his latter years left Cumberland county and came to the Juniata Valley, where he had one hundred and fifteen acres warranted to him December 9, 1784, lying in Granville township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. One hundred years later this farm was yet in the family, and owned by Harvey McKee. Andrew (2) married and had sons: Robert, of whom further; Thomas and Andrew (3). Andrew (3) was born May 29, 1780, died December 6, 1849. He settled in Charlottesville, Albermarle county, Virginia, married Martha Cannon, born January 7, 1774, died September 13, 1829, and their son Robert, born August 1, 1810, died March 11, 1893.

(III) Robert, son of Andrew (2) McKee, was born at Carlisle, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, July 15, 1775, and died April 13, 1845. When he came to Mifflin county he rode on horseback, following an Indian trail, Lewistown at that time being a settlement consisting of four log houses. After his marriage he settled in Ferguson valley, two and a half miles northeast from Strode's Mills, where he followed his trade of blacksmith and became the owner of three farms. He married, July 5, 1810, Orpha Strode, born April 30, 1787, died September 22, 1876. Children: 1. Andrew, born May 1, 1811, died December 30, 1905; mar-

ried — Applebaugh. 2. Catherine, born February 7, 1813, died in Indiana in 1855; married Robert Rothrock. 3. Robert Anderson, born April 29, 1815, died in July, 1898; married Annie Comfort. 4. Mary, born January 8, 1818, died in June, 1909, married Ashley Pierce. 5. Hannah, born July 31, 1820; married Johnson Sigler. 6. J. Strode, of whom further. 7. Thomas Means, born July 12, 1825, died June 3, 1826. 8. Isaac Harvey, born September 8, 1827, died January 23, 1904; married Jane McKee.

(IV) J. Strode, son of Robert and Orpha (Strode) McKee, was born in Ferguson Valley, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, December 21, 1822, died in October, 1909. He attended the public school and grew to manhood at the home farm, which later he inherited, passing his entire active life at the old McKee homestead. In his later years he lived in Lewistown, where he died. He was a Democrat, and both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church. He married, August 14, 1861, Lucy Amelia McKee, born in Center county, Pennsylvania, October 27, 1839, died November 7, 1905, daughter of Samuel and Jane (McKinney) McKee. Samuel McKee was born in the year 1800, died in November, 1867. He married, June 7, 1821, Jane McKinney, born in October, 1802, died in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, July 19, 1887. They resided in the Nittany valley, Center county, Pennsylvania; he was a farmer. Children of Samuel and Jane (McKinney) McKee: 1. Sarah Taylor, born May 14, 1822, died February 24, 1825. 2. Betsey, born November 13, 1824, died February 3, 1825. 3. Eliza, born January 18, 1826, deceased; married John McKee. 4. Rachel, born February 24, 1828, deceased; married James Martin. 5. William, born September 17, 1831, deceased; married Rebecca Fritz. 6. Jane, born July 2, 1834, died April 4, 1904; married Harvey McKee. 7. Caroline, born May 26, 1837, died in 1857; married — Hannawalt. 8. Lucy Amelia, of previous mention, married J. Strode McKee. 9. John Luther, born March 22, 1846; went west and was never after heard from. Children of J. Strode and Lucy A. (McKee) McKee: 1. Samuel Bruce, born July 6, 1863, deceased. 2. Strode McKinney, of whom further. 3. Hattie Blanche, born March 19, 1869, killed at Lewistown Junction by a train of cars, February 2, 1903.

(V) Strode McKinney, son of J. Strode and Lucy Amelia (McKee) McKee, was born in Ferguson valley, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, July



3, 1867. He was educated in the public school of the valley, Lewistown high school and Lewistown Academy. He engaged in farming until 1904, then moved to Lewistown and in 1910 was appointed rural mail carrier. He owns the homestead farm in Ferguson valley, also the dwellings at No. 209 West Market street, and No. 126 Valley street, in Lewistown. In politics he is a Democrat, and is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America.

He married, November 15, 1892, Ella May Davis, born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, February 2, 1867, daughter of Luke and Ann (Clark) Davis. Luke Davis was born in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in 1838, son of Judah and Charlotte Davis, who came to Juniata county, from Berks county, Pennsylvania, by wagon. Luke Davis served three years in the war between the states, and now resides with his children, Mrs. Ella May McKee and son Ross, the latter a train despatcher at Altoona for the Pennsylvania railroad. Ann (Clark) Davis, mother of Mrs. McKee, died March 3, 1906; she was a daughter of Thomas and Ann (Rumbaugh) Clark, pioneers of Bloomfield, Perry county. Children of Strode McKinney and Ella May (Davis) McKee: 1. Helen Davis, born June 13, 1893. 2. Robert Lee, born October 22, 1894. 3. Charles Davis, January 14, 1896. 4. Joseph Andrew, January 25, 1899. 5. Mary Catherine, May 21, 1900. 6. Samuel Strode, April 30, 1905. The family residence is at No. 209 West Market street, Lewistown

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The Foltz family, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, trace descent from Joseph M. Foltz, born in Germany, who came to the United States with his wife, settling in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in farming until his death.

(II) William, son of Joseph M. Foltz, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1819, died in 1906, at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He followed farming with his father in early life, then learned the carpenter's trade which he followed several years. He then became an employee of the Pennsylvania railroad, continuing with that corporation until his death. He was a Democrat in politics, and an attendant of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which his wife was a member. He was a member of the Masonic order, belonging to Robert Burns Lodge, at Harrisburg, and also to Dauphin Lodge, No. 160, Independent Order of

Odd Fellows. He married Frances Atwood Sprout, born in Lancaster county in 1822, died in 1902, daughter of Joseph Sprout, an early settler of Elizabethtown, Lancaster county. Children: Elizabeth, deceased; William; Joseph M., of whom further; Charles, John, Augustus and Frank; five others dying in infancy.

(III) Joseph M., son of William and Frances A. (Sprout) Foltz, was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, October 31, 1847. He was educated in the public school, finishing at Harrisburg high school, after which he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad as passenger brakeman, continuing in the employ of that corporation thirty years, and located from 1871 until 1895 at Lewistown. In the latter year he retired from the railroad and engaged in the coal business in the Allegheny Valley, continuing until 1902, when he returned to Lewistown. He there engaged in business until 1907, when he retired and now resides at No. 211 West Market street. He is a Democrat in politics, and has served as borough councilman, president of council and chief burgess, now (1913) holding the latter office, his term expiring January, 1914. Mr. Foltz and his family attend the Presbyterian church.

He married, in 1875, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Alfarata Logan Smith, born in Lewistown in 1849, in the house in which the family now resides; died there January 21, 1901. She was the daughter of Joseph R. Smith, who died in 1909, aged ninety years. He had a brother Roswell Smith, who died aged ninety-three years, and two sisters who lived to be over eighty years of age. Children: 1. Robert P., married Lena Jennings and resides in Pittsburgh; children: Virginia and Joseph M. (2). 2. Mary Jane, died in 1878, aged three months.

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The great-grandfather of the Bricker family, of Lewis-  
BRICKER town, was born in Germany, and on coming to the  
United States settled in Center county, Pennsylvania.  
He married in Germany and was accompanied to this country by his wife.

(III) John Bricker, grandson of the emigrant, spent most of his life in Center county, Pennsylvania, where he followed his trade of shoemaker, later becoming a farmer. He lived retired at Boalsburg, Pennsylvania, the latter years of his life. He was a Republican in politics and a member of the Lutheran church. He married Rosanna Condo,





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and both are deceased. Children: Emma; Mitchell, of whom further: Laird, deceased; Scott, deceased; Lizzie, deceased.

(IV) Mitchell, son of John and Rosanna (Condo) Bricker, was born in Center county, Pennsylvania, September 17, 1854. He attended the public school and Boalsburg Academy, and after finishing his school life, learned the trade of coachsmith under the instruction of Robert Montgomery, beginning in 1872, the date of his coming to Lewistown. In 1877 he began the manufacture of buggies and wagons, continuing in successful business for eighteen years, then selling out. He was variously engaged for several years until 1903, when he was elected sheriff of Mifflin county, serving with credit a full term of three years. For the succeeding two years he was collector of taxes for the borough of Lewistown; in 1912 was appointed chief deputy sheriff under Sheriff Allen Fultz, and on the death of the latter was appointed by the governor to fill the office until the next general election. Mr. Bricker was elected coroner of Mifflin county, and served with credit for a term of three years. He was one of the organizers of the Mifflin County Jewelry Company, of Lewistown, and has served as a director since organization. The family home is at No. 41 Chestnut street, which Mr. Bricker has purchased. He is a Republican in politics, and has always taken an active interest in public affairs. He belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of the Golden Eagle, both lodges located in Lewistown.

He married, December 22, 1875, Sarah, daughter of Henry Has-singer, deceased, of Lewistown, who came there from Snyder county, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Margaret, married Sherman Warner, station agent at Reedsville, Pennsylvania. 2. Della, died in 1913, aged 22 years. 3. Emma, married Lyman Marks, of Lewistown, and has a daughter, Sarah.

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Peter Loudenslager, deceased, was born in Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, October 1, 1820, died in Lewistown, December 5, 1896, son of George Loudenslager, an early settler of Selinsgrove. Peter Loudenslager attended the public school and grew to manhood at Selinsgrove, where he learned the shoemaker's trade. Later he moved to Perry county, thence to Millerstown, Perry county, where he married, and in

1857, settled in Lewistown, where he followed his trade until death. He was a man of industry, and by his excellent qualities won the regard of all who knew him. He was a Republican in politics, and a member of the Lutheran church.

He married in 1844, Maria Rumbaugh (Rev. Boyer officiating), of Millerstown, who joined the church at Millerstown at the age of fifteen years. She is the daughter of Ulrich and Anna Maria (Limperd) Rumbaugh, both born in Pennsylvania, of German parentage. Ulrich Rumbaugh was a farmer of Perry county, where he died in 1870. His wife died in 1828. They had eight children, of whom Maria, widow of Peter Loudenslager is the only survivor. She resides at No. 138 West Market street, Lewistown. Children of Peter and Maria Loudenslager: 1. A daughter, died in infancy. 2. Theodore, now residing in Lewistown, a shoemaker; married Harriet Blett; they have ten children. 3. Ellen, married Robert Riden, deceased, and has four children. 4. David Crawford, died, aged five years. 5. William Luther, died, aged 18 months. 6. Ida, married John Eyster, whom she survives, and has five children. 7. Margaret N., married Kirk McClintic, of Mifflintown, a merchant; one child. 8. Anna, married George Knepp, of Maywood, Missouri; two children. 9. Miriam R., married Robert Calvin Orr, of Lewistown, a dry goods clerk; one child.

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This is a corrupted form of the Irish surname Ultz, but in ULSH the Juniata Valley family, Ulsh seems to be the prevailing spelling and pronounciation. The founder of this branch was John Ulsh, who was born in Centerville, Union county, Pennsylvania, and was a son of George Ulsh, who was born of Scotch-Irish parentage. He married Judith Bruce, and they had five children, four daughters and one son, John being the son's name. John settled in Snyder county, where he was a cabinetmaker, and spent the balance of his life in that county, dying in Beavertown, where he is buried. Hannah Ulsh is buried at Yeagertown, Pennsylvania; they were both Lutherans. He married Hannah Nitze, and ten children blessed their union, four sons and six daughters, of these John Ulsh is the father of E. E. Ulsh.

(II) John (2), son of John (1) Ulsh, was born in what is now Snyder county, Pennsylvania, in 1848, and since 1886 has been a resident of South Main street, Lewistown. He grew to manhood in Snyder

county, and attended the public schools and learned the tanner's trade. Later he became a stonemason. He located when a young man in Ferguson's Valley, Mifflin county, lived there for several years, then entered the employ of the Logan Iron & Steel Company, of Burnham, with which he is yet connected. He is a Democrat in politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Susan, daughter of John Price, who came early to Mifflin county, later moving to the state of Missouri, where he died. Children: Harry, killed in a railroad accident; Hosea, Cora B., Elmer E., of whom further; Clarence, twin of Elmer E.

(III) Elmer E., son of John (2) and Susan (Price) Ulsh, was born in Ferguson's valley, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, March 26, 1875. He attended the public schools of the valley until 1886, when his parents moved to Lewistown, where he finished his studies in the public schools. He became an expert carpenter and since 1900 has been engaged successfully as a contractor and builder in Lewistown. In 1903 he located his residence at No. 21 Depot street, which he still owns, and in 1911 erected his present place of business at No. 9 Montgomery avenue. He has established an excellent reputation as an honorable, capable builder, and is held in high esteem as a man and neighbor. He is a Democrat in politics and is now serving a term of six years as school director, to which he was elected in 1912. He is a member of the board of trade, and uses his influence to further all movements for the public good. His fraternity is the Improved Order of Red Men. In religious faith he is Methodist Episcopal as is also his family.

He married, in 1902, Mary Ella, born in Newport, Perry county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Thomas White, who came to Lewistown in 1891, now residing at No. 23 Depot street. Children: Thomas J., born March 11, 1908; Grace Elizabeth, April 12, 1909.

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The Ricketts family, of Lewistown, came to Mifflin RICKETTS from Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, where Joseph, grandfather of James D. Ricketts, was an early settler and farmer. He married, reared a family and both he and his wife, after long and useful lives, died in Huntingdon county.

(II) David, son of Joseph Ricketts, was born in Huntingdon county, August 13, 1802, died in 1877. He was a farmer of Hill Valley all his

life, prosperous and respected. He was a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Episcopal church. He married Mary Bentz, born in Huntingdon county, November 27, 1812, of German descent, a member of the German Baptist church (Dunkard), died in 1894. Children: Ann, married W. D. Colabine, of Mill Creek, Pennsylvania; Martin, deceased; James D., of whom further; William, deceased.

(III) James D., son of David and Mary (Bentz) Ricketts, was born in Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, March 9, 1849. He attended the public school, and until he was fourteen years of age, worked on the farm. In his fourteenth year he began working with a section gang on the Pennsylvania railroad, and spent his subsequent life in the employ of that company. From track laborer he was advanced to fireman, and in September, 1873, was promoted to engineer, a position he still holds. For forty years he has run between Sunbury and Lewistown, twenty-five years of which time he has been in the passenger service. In December, 1872, he moved his residence to Lewistown, and in 1890 purchased his present residence at No. 213 West Market street. In politics Mr. Ricketts is a Democrat, and in religious faith a Presbyterian. In 1886 he became a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

He married, September 17, 1878, Ella E. Postlethwaite, born in Newton Hamilton, Pennsylvania, June 28, 1852, daughter of Samuel D. and Eleanor W. (Van Dyke) Postlethwaite. Child: Alice, married P. S. Smith, and resides at Lewistown; four children: Eleanor, Dallas, Karl K. and Eugene.

Samuel D. Postlethwaite, born November 27, 1811, in Newton Hamilton, was a son of Thomas Irwin Postlethwaite, born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1779, son of John Postlethwaite, born in Lancaster county, 1736, married (first) Hannah Wright, and in 1789, settled in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. The father of John was ——— Postlethwaite, an early settler of Lancaster county, who kept a house of public entertainment, and in 1729, at his house, known as Postlethwaite Tavern, was held the first court in Lancaster county under the Crown. Thomas Irwin Postlethwaite, born in Lancaster, was an early settler of Mifflin county, where he was a prominent, influential and prosperous farmer. He served in the state legislature and in other public positions. He married Nancy Drake. Children: Thomas, Samuel D., William, Jackson,



Eliza, Jane, John and David. Samuel D. Postlethwaite was a cabinetmaker by trade, later a farmer, until his death, November 27, 1892. He was a faithful member of the Presbyterian church, and in politics a Democrat. He married, December 15, 1840, Eleanor W. Van Dyke, born in Paradise, Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, January 29, 1823, died March 6, 1906. Children of Samuel D. Postlethwaite: 1. Thomas, a Union soldier, killed at the battle of Fredericksburg. 2. Lambert. 3. Mary Jane, married Marion Van Courte; three children: Elmer, Mary and Mabel. 4. Porter, died when a young man. 5. Ella E., wife of James D. Ricketts. 6. Alice A., married W. S. Caldwell. 7. Charles B., married and lives in Kansas. 8. John M. 9. Samuel H.

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Harry B. Stroup, of Yeagertown, Pennsylvania, descends  
STROUP from a family that has for many generations lived in this state. The Stroup family was among the pioneers of Derry township. Phillip and William Stroup were the first warrantees, and one of their descendants in Mifflin county was John Stroup, father of Martin Luther, and grandfather of Harry B. Stroup.

(II) John Stroup was born in November, 1793. He was a farmer by occupation, and worked with his father for years, subsequently renting a farm in Mifflin county. Inheriting a portion of the farm of his father in Decatur township, he purchased the remainder from the other heirs and made improvements on it. He engaged in stock dealing for years, and in the dual occupation was successful. He married, in 1817, Margaret, daughter of Michael and Catherine (Bowersox) Bair, who were born in York county, Pennsylvania, of German extraction. Children: 1. William, born November 9, 1817. 2. Catherine, born May 16, 1819; married Henry Bridge. 3. John, born November 5, 1821, died young. 4. Elizabeth, born October 2, 1823, died young. 5. Margaret, born September 17, 1824; married Frederick Griminger. 6. Sarah Henrietta, born December 30, 1828, married Jacob Rothrock, of Illinois. 7. Sophia K. 8. Mary, born November 21, 1832, died young. 9. Susan H. 10. Martin Luther, of whom further. 11. David Albert. 12. John Levi. 13. Lucinda, born December 18, 1842, married Jacob Strayer, of Indiana.

(III) Martin Luther, son of John and Margaret (Bair) Stroup, was born March 1, 1837, in Decatur township, and was educated in the pub-

lic schools of the day. He assisted his father on the farm, then he rented one and farmed alone. After his father died and he received his patrimony he purchased a farm in the same township, sold it and bought another in Derry township. He is a farmer of recognized ability, a good neighbor and a progressive citizen. He is a Democrat, a prominent member of the Lutheran church in Decatur, and has served as deacon for years. He is an active worker in the Sunday school, retaining all of his youthful interest in it and church work. He married, October 5, 1857, Caroline, daughter of Jacob W. and Mary Miller, of Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania. Caroline (Miller) Stroup was born in 1829, and comes from an excellent family of straight English descent. Children: 1. John Miller. 2. Sarah Ann. 3. Katie J., married Clinton B. Silkman and resides in Scranton, Pennsylvania. 4. Jacob Warner. 5. Harry Bridge, of whom further. 6. Frank Murry.

(IV) Harry Bridge, son of Martin Luther and Caroline (Miller) Stroup, was born in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, September 5, 1869. He was reared on the farm of his father, and was educated in the public school of the township and at Lewistown high school. He lived on the old homestead until 1898, when he accepted a position with Logan & Company, Incorporated, as general clerk, and has held that place since. He is a Democrat, following the traditions of the family. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, at Lewistown.

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The American progenitor of this branch of the Harper family, John Harper, was born in county Tyrone, Ireland. He there grew to manhood, married, and in 1866 came to the United States, settling in Morris county, New Jersey. He there worked in the iron mines and learned the stone mason's trade, continuing until May, 1876, when he moved to Philadelphia. He there followed the building business for nine years, then lived retired for the fifteen years preceding his death in July, 1900. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in both Ireland and the United States belonged to the Order of Orangemen. He married Jane Orr, born in Ireland, died February 7, 1913. Children: 1. Sarah, married S. C. Honey and resides in Newark, New Jersey. 2. Died in infancy. 3. David, resides in Newark, New Jersey. 4. Robert E., died at Burnham,

July 4, 1911. 5. Joseph, died in Newark, New Jersey. 6. Andrew, resides in Newark. 7. Augustus, of whom further. 8. Samuel, resides in Philadelphia. 9. William H., resides in Philadelphia. 10. Jane, married Howard Pierson and resides in Philadelphia. 11. Minnie W., married Robert Wooler, and resides in Philadelphia.

(II) Augustus, son of John and Jane (Orr) Harper, was born in Morris county, New Jersey, June 6, 1868. He attended the public schools there until he was eight years of age, when his parents moved to Philadelphia, where his education was finished in the public schools of that city. He began business life as a worker in the Baldwin Locomotive Works in Philadelphia, remaining ten years, and becoming familiar with steel working in various forms. In August, 1898, he moved to Burnham, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where he entered the employ of the Standard Steel Works Company, in the hammer department, and there continues. He is a member of the Masonic order, belonging to Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons; Lewistown Chapter, No. 186, Royal Arch Masons; Lewistown Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templar, and Jaffa Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Altoona, Pennsylvania. He also belongs to lodge and encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and to the Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Mr. Harper married, October 19, 1890, Amelia A. Inman, born in Nova Scotia, Canada, daughter of Charles and Margaret (Oldroyd) Inman, both born in England, settling in Nova Scotia about 1862, where Charles Inman, a mining engineer, died December 18, 1875. After his death the widow and children returned to England, remaining two years, but came again to Nova Scotia, and in 1880 came to the United States, settling in Philadelphia, where the widow, Margaret Inman, died January 17, 1900. Children of Charles and Margaret Inman: Mark, William A., Roland, Eugene and Adelaide, all deceased; George Scarlett, resides in Philadelphia; John, deceased; Amelia A., wife of Augustus Harper; and Hannah B., married Mahlon George Place, and resides in Philadelphia. Children of Augustus and Amelia A. (Inman) Harper: 1. Harold I., married Edith Duck. 2. Ira O. 3. Augustus Orr, died May 26, 1902, aged nine years. 4. Charles Raymond. 5. Amelia A. The family residence at No. 103 Main street, Burnham, was erected by Mr. Harper during the summer of 1900.

The emigrant ancestor of Dr. Benjamin Rush Kohler KOHLER was a German, living in Switzerland, from whence, with wife and children, he sailed for America. John M. Kohler, the German emigrant, landed with his children in Philadelphia, his wife having died at sea. From Philadelphia the family moved to Reading, thence to Middletown, Pennsylvania, where the father worked at his trade, weaving, for a short time, then moved to Lewistown, Pennsylvania, about the year 1828, and there died.

(II) Henry, son of John M. Kohler, was born in Switzerland and came to the United States with his father in 1807. He became a weaver, learning that trade with his father, whom he accompanied to Lewistown in 1828. He continued at his trade in Lewistown for seven years, moving to Milroy in 1835, and for a time worked there as a weaver. He then became a merchant, continuing several years, then moved to Center county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased a small farm and lived for about twenty years. He lived retired in Milroy until his death, November 9, 1887. He married Mary Wolfley, who bore him thirteen children, four of whom died in early childhood: 1. John. 2. Jacob, born March 14, 1832, a manufacturer of carpets and a merchant, now living retired in Reedsville. He was elected associate judge of Mifflin county in 1885, serving five years; in 1892 he was elected justice of the peace. During the war between the states he was second lieutenant of Company K, 205th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers. He married Susan I. Crosthwaite, daughter of Richard, and granddaughter of John Crosthwaite, who came from Ireland. 3. Susan, now living in Milroy, unmarried. 4. William F., deceased, married Sarah Kemmerer. 5. Frederick S., of whom further. 6. James, died in the army during the civil war, aged twenty-two years. 7. Jane, married John Wolf and resides at Potter's Mills. 8. Matilda, married John O. Stover. 9. Amelia, now living in Milroy, unmarried.

(III) Dr. Frederick S. Kohler, son of Henry and Mary (Wolfley) Kohler, was born in Milroy, Pennsylvania, December 18, 1836, died in Nampa, Idaho, January 1, 1908. He attended the public schools, studied medicine and in 1860 was graduated M. D. from the Eclectic Medical College of Pennsylvania. During the civil war he was commissioned assistant surgeon of the Twenty-first Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, serving from February 18, 1863, until mustered out July 8, 1865. After



the war he located in Reedsville, Pennsylvania, remaining for twelve years. In 1873 he took a special course and was graduated from the Medical College of Ohio, at Cincinnati, Ohio, and for several years was located in Vevay, Indiana. He later practiced in Morgan, Utah, moving in August, 1887, to Nampa, Idaho, where he practiced until his death, January 1, 1908. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. He married Sarah A. Carson, born December 17, 1841, died December 11, 1866. Her parents died when she was young, leaving her to the care of her uncle, John Carson, of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, who later moved to Wisconsin and there died. She was a member of the Presbyterian church. Children: Dr. William H., of whom further; Benjamin Rush, of whom further.

(IV) Dr. William H. Kohler, elder son of Dr. Frederick S. and Sarah A. (Carson) Kohler, was born in Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, December 19, 1863. He was deprived of a mother's care when three years of age, his childhood being spent with relatives in Philadelphia and Center county, Pennsylvania. He spent his life until his nineteenth year mainly in Center county, where he received a good public school education, and for two years worked at farming. His ambition was for his father's profession, and that goal was kept constantly in view, until finally attained. He attended Pennsylvania State College, then spent two years at Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio, in the medical department. In the autumn of 1886 he entered Jefferson Medical College, at Philadelphia, whence he was graduated with honors, receiving the degree of M. D., April 4, 1887. He located in Milroy, Pennsylvania, the following June, and there became well established as a skillful, honorable physician. His standing among the brethren of the profession is of the highest, and in the hearts of his people there is no rival. His skill, unfailing cheerfulness and pleasing manner have won him a standing and a regard that is only gained by the country doctor and only by him, through years of association, "confidence being a plant of slow growth," but after taking root, being watered by the tears of sorrow and blossoming in the sunshine of joy, develops a tree of such strength that only death can destroy. For over a quarter of a century Dr. Kohler has gone in and out of the homes of his community, and whether he brings joy or sorrow is the beloved physician, whom all trust and honor. Dr. Kohler is surgeon for the Cambria

Steel Company at their quarries, which are located at Naginey, Pennsylvania. He is a member of the Mifflin County Medical Society; the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and Commandery of the Loyal Legion of Pennsylvania. In political faith he is a Republican; in religious faith a Presbyterian.

Dr. Kohler married, April 4, 1894, Harriet Elizabeth Bunnell, born September 21, 1874, second child and eldest daughter of William Cyrus and Sarah Jane (Brown) Bunnell, of Lewistown, and granddaughter of William Usual Bunnell, an early Scotch-Irish settler of Crawford county, Pennsylvania, a farmer and land owner, and his wife, Harriet (McClure) Bunnell, also granddaughter (maternal) of Hon. James M. Brown, twice elected to the Pennsylvania legislature. Children of William Cyrus and Sarah Jane Bunnell, who were married November 11, 1868: James Brown; Harriet E., married Dr. William H. Kohler; Edna Della; Walter Irwin and Fanny Cyrus. William Cyrus Brown resided on a farm near Siglerville, Pennsylvania, until his removal to Milroy, but he was engaged for thirty-five years as proprietor of a music store in Lewistown. Children of Dr. William H. and Harriet Elizabeth Kohler: Sarah, born February 7, 1896; Mary, April 4, 1898.

(IV) Dr. Benjamin Rush Kohler, younger son of Dr. Frederick S. and Sarah A. (Carson) Kohler, was born in Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, September 7, 1865. He was educated in the public schools and at the academy in Ghent, Kentucky, where he prepared for college. He accompanied the family to Utah, reading medicine under his father for two years. He entered the medical department of Western Reserve University, at Cleveland, Ohio, in 1883, whence he was graduated M. D., February 25, 1885. He then returned to his native town, and there began the general practice of his profession. As the years have passed Dr. Kohler has grown with his practice, taking front rank among the leaders of his profession. Ever the student, he has kept pace with all modern discovery and through his many articles in the medical journals has greatly aided the onward march of medical science. His skill and learning are of more than local fame. He is a censor of the Medico-Chirurgical College, elected by the trustees of that institution May 30, 1896. His specialty is diseases of children, and it is on this branch of medical practice that he has written many articles for professional journals, and made the object of special study and investigation. He is a





*Willard Meckley*



member of the hospital staff of the township poor farm; member of the American Medical Association and of the state and county medical societies, he also belongs to the Masonic fraternity, Lewistown Lodge, No. 203. The family are all members of the Presbyterian church.

Dr. Kohler married, November 27, 1888, Mary A. Smith, born in Belleville, Pennsylvania, daughter of William T. and Phoebe A. (Foltz) Smith. William Smith, for many years a school teacher and farmer of the Kishacoquillas Valley, died August 27, 1890. His wife died in 1910, leaving children, besides Mrs. Kohler: Catherine; Sarah, married Harrison Manbeck; Margaret, married William Sankey; George; Matilda, married John W. Brindel; Jennie, married Elmer Young; William. The only child of Dr. Kohler, Frank E., born February 13, 1891, is now a student of medicine at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia.

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The paternal American ancestor of this family was  
MECHTLEY Isaac Mechtley, born in Germany, came to the United States when young and settled in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, where he died a farmer. He married Catherine Bobb, who also died in Snyder county. They had two children: Henry and Isaac.

(II) Henry, son of Isaac and Catherine (Bobb) Mechtley, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, in 1830, died at Emporia, Kansas, in 1888. He was a bricklayer by trade, and became a well-known contractor, operating in Juniata, Mifflin, Center and Clinton counties. He built the Lutheran church at East Waterford, Pennsylvania, and on that building his son Willard laid his first brick. In 1878 he left Pennsylvania and settled in Emporia, Kansas, where he took up land and continued his contracting business until his death in 1888. In religious faith he was a member of the Reformed church, and in politics a Democrat. He married Lydia Keller, born in Clinton county, Pennsylvania, February 6, 1835, who survives him, a resident of Emporia, Kansas. She is a daughter of Jacob Keller, a pioneer of Clinton county, Pennsylvania. Children: Adeline; Willard, of whom further; Mary C., deceased; Sarah Jane, deceased; John E., deceased; Henry A.; Caroline; Amelia, deceased; James; Wilson, twin of James, deceased; Margaret; Ellen M.; Minnie, deceased; Gertrude, deceased; Emma.

(III) Willard, son of Henry and Lydia (Keller) Mechtley, was born

in Troxelville, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, March 5, 1855. He attended the public school until he was twelve years of age, then began learning bricklaying with his father, only attending winter sessions after that age. He became an expert mechanic, and continued with his father until reaching legal age. He then began contracting the erection of buildings, and has so continued until the present time, having gained an enviable reputation as a builder in the counties of Snyder, Center, Clinton, Mifflin and Juniata. In Center county alone he has erected thirteen churches, and was the contractor on the First Church at Rebersburg. In 1902 he located in Lewistown, where he has erected many buildings, and added greatly to the enterprise of that borough. Many of the buildings erected he owns, while others have been built under contract for others. Of late years he has confined his building operations to Lewistown. In politics he is a Democrat, and in religious faith a member of the Reformed church. The family home is at No. 169 Pannebaker avenue, Lewistown, on which avenue Mr. Mechtley owns six other residences.

He married, in 1880, Sarah Jane Helfrich, of Beaver Springs, Snyder county, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Bessie, married Edward H. Derr, D. D. S., and resides in Lewistown. 2. Mary Lydia, married Frank Felker; children: Mae and Frank M. 3. Carrie A., married W. E. Bailey; child: Paul Edward.

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The Shirey family came to Lewistown, Pennsylvania, SHIREY from the State of Ohio, where Henry Shirey, the grandfather of John Shirey, lived and died. On the maternal side they descend from Samuel Aurand, a pioneer of Snyder county, Pennsylvania, who died and is buried at Beaver Springs. He and his wife, Catherine Valentine, came to Snyder county in 1812, settling on a tract of wild land that they cleared and improved, he also working at his trade of blacksmith, having his shop on his farm. Of the ten children of Samuel Aurand, none are living.

(II) John, son of Henry Shirey, was born in Ohio in 1815, died in Snyder county in 1864. He was a tanner by trade, also cultivated a farm in Snyder county. He was a Democrat in politics and a member of the Reformed church. He married Catherine, born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1812, died in November, 1903, eldest daughter

of Samuel Aurand; she had brothers and sisters: Henry, Elias, Enoch, Samuel, Isaac, Sarah, Rebecca, Lucy M. and Elizabeth. Children of John and Catherine Shirey: Lucinda, deceased; Kate, deceased; Elizabeth, deceased; Mollie, of Preston, Iowa; Joseph, of Dry Valley, Mifflin county; Isaac, of Snyder county; Samuel, of Beaver Springs, Snyder county; John, of whom further; Sarah and Sallie (twins), both died in infancy.

(III) John (2), son of John (1) and Catherine (Aurand) Shirey, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, at Beaver Springs, April 6, 1856. He attended the public schools and spent his early life engaged in farming. He then worked for two years on the railroad, then in a coal yard, then again at farming near Beaver Springs, continuing in Snyder county until 1880. He then located in Mifflin county, where he was a prosperous farmer until 1904, when he moved to his present residence in Derry township, managing his farm property from there. He is the owner of three good farms in Mifflin county, and also invested largely in the erection of double houses in both borough and township. He built six houses of this kind in Lewistown and eight in Derry township, with his own residence at No. 218 Electric avenue, Lewistown. Mr. Shirey has prospered through his great energy, wise foresight and quick perception of values. He has won success and as his energy is boundless he will continue to advance. He devotes his entire time at present to the care of his farms and residence property, all of which are productive. He is a Democrat in politics, and a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, of Lewistown, as is also his family.

He married, December 19, 1878, Mary Alice Herbster, born at Beavertown, Snyder county, November 20, 1858, daughter of Philip Herbster, born 1824, in Snyder county, died in 1906, and his wife Malinda Kline, born in 1832 at Beavertown, and granddaughter of Gabriel Herbster, a pioneer of Snyder county, and of George Kline, of Beavertown. Children of Philip and Malinda Herbster: Ammon, Jacob, George and Amelia, twins; Mary Alice, wife of John (2) Shirey; James; John; William, deceased; and Vernon. The mother of these children is yet living in her eighty-first year. Children of John and Mary Alice Shirey: 1. Effie, born July 21, 1880, died in 1886. 2. Homer Nelson, born July 28, 1882, now a farmer at Strode Mills; married Nettie Kline and has: Mary, Annie, Mildred and Dorothy S. 3. Mollie Amelia, born March

31, 1887; married Walter Starr, of Lewistown. 4. Lester Lee, born July 1, 1889, now a farmer three miles below Lewistown; married Mary Klose and has: John, Leonard and Catherine. 5. Beatrice Ellen, born October 9, 1891, resides at home.

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Calvin Gray, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, is of pure Scotch GRAY lineage, his emigrant ancestors coming to America from Scotland about 1784, or thereabouts. They landed in New York, and afterward drifted into Pennsylvania.

(I) James Gray was born in Scotland, and there married his wife, Elizabeth, and together they crossed the Atlantic, landing in New York. From there he moved to Juniata county, Pennsylvania, before 1800. He located with his family in Lack township, Juniata county, and began farming. He moved in 1815 on the farm on which he died later, at the age of eighty-eight; his wife also died at the age of eighty-eight. Among their children was Joseph, of whom further.

(II) Joseph, son of the Scotch emigrants, James and Elizabeth Gray, was born on the Gray farm in Beal township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in 1808, and died in the same township October 27, 1898, aged ninety years.

He was reared on the Gray farm, and educated in the common schools of Beal township, but being of a studious turn of mind he absorbed more than most boys of his age, and opportunities from the fount of knowledge. Leaving school he at first farmed and afterward turned his attention to school teaching, which pursuit he followed successfully for over thirty years, in conjunction with his farming. He purchased the Gray homestead on which his father first settled in Beal township, and here reared his large family. He was a Democrat, and was elected on that ticket to the office of tax collector. He married (first) Elizabeth Harris, of Concord, Franklin county. Children: James H., Martha, William, John B., Thomas, Joseph B., Alexander C., Robert, James H., William, died young. James H., William, John, Thomas and Joseph were in the civil war, James H. being wounded in the battle of Chancellorsville. Joseph Gray married (second) Leah Barton, born in Beal township in 1828, died in 1899, a daughter of James and Hannah (Grim) Barton, pioneers in Juniata county. He was a native of Pennsylvania and she of Ireland; he died at the age of forty-five,



and she lived to be ninety-four. Children of Joseph and Leah (Barton) Gray: Samuel, deceased; Nancy Elizabeth; Harvey B.; George Washington, deceased; Calvin, of whom further; Mary, twin of Calvin; Rebecca Ellen; David, died in infancy; Alice Christina, deceased; Howard David, deceased; Jesse Franklin.

(III) Calvin, son of Joseph and Leah (Barton) Gray, was born November 23, 1857, in Lack township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, on the Gray homestead, and there passed twenty-four years. He was educated in the public schools of the time. At the age of twenty-four he moved to Shirleysburg, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, and farmed four years. He then moved to Richland county, Ohio, where he engaged in farm work for two years. His next move was to McKean county, Pennsylvania. Here he became a tanner, and remained at that occupation for ten years, then was employed by the Prudential Insurance Company one year as agent; at the expiration of that time he went to Altoona, in October, 1899, and accepted a position as motorman on the Logan Valley traction road. On June 3, 1900, he went to Lewistown, and since that time has been motorman on the Lewistown & Reedsville electric road. In 1894 he erected a residence on Walnut street, and in 1910 he also erected one at the corner of Valley and Walnut streets, Lewistown, where he has since resided. He is a Democrat, and was a member of the borough council of McKean county, and has for the past four years been a member of the Lewistown borough council. He is a member of Lodge No. 203, of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, of Lewistown.

He married, December 29, 1887, Mary E. Crouse, born in Juniata county, in 1864, a daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Roher) Crouse, early settlers in Juniata county. Mrs. Crouse is the sister of Rev. Abraham Roher, a noted minister. Mr. and Mrs. Gray have no children, but adopted a son, Guy E. Gray, born September 27, 1891, educated in the public and Lewistown high school, clerks in Logan Iron & Steel Company.

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MILLER      The emigrant Miller, in this branch of that numerous family, came to Pennsylvania from Germany, settling in Berks county. He later settled near Freeburg, Washington township, Snyder county, where he built a mill that was long known

as Miller's Mill. Among his children were sons: John, Samuel and George.

(II) John Miller, son of the emigrant, grew to manhood in Berks country, and there married, coming thence to Snyder county, where he was a farmer and miller. His brother, Samuel, was a pioneer of the Buffalo Valley, while George settled at Selinsgrove, owning one of the first farms in that section, and one yet owned in the family. John Miller married Christianna Chamberlain, a descendant of Colonel William Chamberlain, born in New Jersey, September 25, 1736, served in the revolutionary war; married four wives, the last August 16, 1794; had twenty-three children, fifteen of whom were born in New Jersey. John Miller and his wife both died in Washington township, Snyder county, leaving issue.

(III) Captain Lewis Miller, son of John and Christianna (Chamberlain) Miller, was born in Washington township, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, died in Snyder county, Pennsylvania. He learned the carpenter's trade, also was a millwright, which trade he followed until the outbreak of the civil war, when he enlisted in the One Hundred and Thirty-first Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, served three years, and attaining the rank of captain, succeeding Captain Ryan. He was a gallant soldier, won his promotion by actual field service, and after the war returned to peaceful pursuits, rounding out a full and complete life. He married Sarah Stalnecker, who died in 1910. Children: Harvey, died in infancy; Kate, deceased; John H., of whom further; Jemima, married William Moyer, of Snyder county.

(IV) John H., son of Captain Lewis and Sarah (Stalnecker) Miller, was born in Washington township, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, May 22, 1868. He was educated in the public school and grew to manhood on the farm owned by his father, and operated by him in addition to his trade of carpenter and millwright. He traveled for about three years in early life, visited twenty-two states, including California, attaining his twenty-first birthday in that state. After about three years of travel he returned home, and for six years cultivated the home farm for his father. He then bought a farm in Oliver township, Mifflin county, which he worked with such success that he is now the owner of five farms in Mifflin county, with sand bank and clay pits at Burnham, and three saw mills—one at Burnham, two in Huntingdon county. He also

is engaged in contracting and has other business interests. Since 1906 he has resided in Lewistown, managing his large interests from that central point. He was one of the organizers of the Ferguson Valley Insurance Company, and assisted in promoting the telephone company in that valley. He employs about one hundred men to carry on his different operations, and in his lumbering operations is associated with Henry E. Knepp under the firm name of Miller & Knepp. In politics he is a Republican, but has never accepted public office, being entirely satisfied with a business career.

He married, in 1891, Alice Hare, born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, in 1872, daughter of Perry Hare, now deceased. Children: Harvey Henry, Daniel Lewis, George, Sarah, Jay.

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William Grant Smith, of Belleville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, comes from the widely scattered Smith family that has branches in every state in the Union. The name of his immigrant forbear is lost, but he is known to have drifted into Pennsylvania about 1723. On the colonial records of that period appear the names of several Smiths. Some were Indian fighters, others did garrison duty, still others were with the Royal Americans when they met and fought Lord Montcalm, the French general. Some manned the block houses, while others tilled the fields as a few companions stood guard, watching for the red men to rush upon them from the forest. Of such sturdy and heroic stock is the Smith family of Pennsylvania.

(I) John Smith, the first of the name of whom there is any definite knowledge, had English forbears, as his name indicates. He was born in Pennsylvania, possibly in Union township, and he and his wife were for many years regarded as its prominent citizens. They both died and are buried in Union township. Among his children was William T., of whom further.

(II) William T., son of John Smith, was born in Union township and received his education in the common schools of that time. Discontinuing school while yet young he became a laborer and was a farm hand for years. In politics he was a Republican, and in religion a member of the Lutheran church. He married Phoebe Fultz, also of Union township, daughter of Joseph Fultz, a neighboring farmer. Children: 1. John, died in infancy. 2. Kate, died young. 3. Sadie, mar-

ried Henry Manbeck of Belleville; one child, Ralph. 4. Maggie, married W. A. Sankey and has two children: Carrie, deceased, and Foster. 5. George, making his home in Belleville. 6. Matilda, married John Brindle, of Belleville, both are deceased; children: Charles, at West Point, New York, in United States army; Melvin, a machinist in Columbus, Ohio. 7. Jennie, wife of Elmer Young, of Bondville, Champaign county, Illinois; children: Helen and Warren. 8. Mary, married Dr. B. R. Kohler; one son, Frank. 9. William Grant, of whom further. 10. Josephine, died young.

(III) William Grant, son of William T. and Phoebe (Fultz) Smith, was born August 23, 1870, in Union township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was reared in the township and received his education in the public schools. Leaving school he engaged in fence building, and continued in that occupation for twenty-one years, making a record for himself by the thoroughness of his work. On February 27, 1912, he opened a hardware business in a house that he himself had erected. In one year he has established a prosperous and ever growing business, handling the best class of hardware in all its lines. He owns his own home, one of the prettiest of the town. In politics he is a Republican, always giving his franchise to that party; he is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, and of the Lutheran church.

He married in November, 1898, Mary Bennett, of Belleville, daughter of Nelson and Clara Jane Bennett, of Belleville; the father is deceased and the mother is living in Belleville. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have one child: Marian, born November 26, 1899, a student at school.

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The first official record of the Sterretts in the Juniata Valley is of Ralph Sterrett, who took up one hundred and forty acres in Beale township, Juniata county, July 27, 1762. He was an Indian trader and at home in the woods most anywhere. The run that crosses hereby was known as Sterretts Run. He came to the valley from Lancaster county and dealt in squatter claims. He sold the tract previously mentioned, March 25, 1764, his wife Martha joining with him in the sale.

(II) William, son of Ralph and Martha Sterrett, who is said to have been the first white child born west of the Tuscarora mountains, was born at Bingham Fort. He was part owner of a forge on Licking creek



and once sheriff of Mifflin county. He married and had a son William.

(III) William (2), son of William (1) Sterrett, was born January 25, 1801, in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. His parents were for a time residents of Lancaster county, settling in Juniata county in 1807. William (2) Sterrett became a farmer, continuing in Juniata county until his death, January 25, 1889. He married, January 8, 1835, Rachel Thompson, born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, August 25, 1801, died several years before her husband. Children: John Thompson, born July 16, 1836; James, June 10, 1838; William N., of whom further; Robert, February 14, 1842.

(IV) William North, third son of William and Rachel (Thompson) Sterrett, was born in Juniata county March 21, 1840, died January 22, 1912. He was educated in the public school and resided at the homestead farm, later owning a farm set off from the original Sterrett farm, a large tract located in Milford township, Juniata county. He was a very successful farmer, continuing in active management of his own acres until 1905, when he retired and moved to Mifflintown, locating there on April 7th of that year. During eight years of his life he was engaged in mercantile business at Patterson, Pennsylvania, but continued his residence at the farm. He was a Republican in politics, served as county commissioner and associate judge of Juniata county, also filling many township offices. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and both he and his wife belonged to the Presbyterian church. He was a man of upright character, energetic in business, but rendering to every man his just due. Quiet and unobtrusive, yet firm and decided in his opinions and convictions, he won the regard of his fellow men and left behind him an honored name.

He married, April 27, 1871, Jane E. Black, born in New Bloomfield, Perry county, Pennsylvania, February 16, 1845, daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Zimmerman) Black, born in Perry county, where Thomas Black died comparatively young. Margaret, his wife died in 1891, aged eighty-two years. Children of William N. and Jane E. (Black) Sterrett, all born at the farm in Juniata county: 1. William E., born February 2, 1872; he was educated in Mifflintown high school and Pittsburgh Business College, and is now a clerk in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad offices at Denholm. 2. Samuel Thomas, born August 16, 1875, educated in Mifflintown high school, now a farmer on the old home-

stead; he married Norma Ernest and has children: Harold Earl, Samuel Glenn, James Fay, Anna Elizabeth, and Edgar Ernest, twin of Anna E. 3. James Thompson, born September 17, 1884, educated in Mifflintown high school and Pierces' Business College, now assistant cashier of the Juniata Valley Bank; he married Alma Robinson. 4. Edgar Black, born June 26, 1888, educated in Port Royal high school and Bank's Business College of Philadelphia, now a bookkeeper in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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William Luck, of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, had for his LUCK forbears in America, honest, upright Germans, the first of whom came from the Fatherland in the latter part of the seventeenth century, settling, as did so many of his compatriots, in Pennsylvania. From him descended Isaac Luck, of whom further.

Isaac Luck was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, his father being one of the pioneer settlers of the county, and is buried at Salem Church. Isaac was a farmer, taking up wild land, clearing and cultivating it, and erecting on it a comfortable house for his family. He was much respected by his neighbors, and died at the age of ninety-four. He married Susan Ritter, daughter of a German family of that name, who were also pioneer settlers in Snyder county. She died at the age of eighty-seven. They were members of the Lutheran church. He was first a Whig and then a Republican, voting the latter ticket when he was a very old man. Children: 1. Joel, now aged eighty-nine. 2. Elizabeth, deceased. 3. Maria, deceased. 4. Annie, deceased. 5. Samuel, deceased. 6. Benjamin, deceased. 7. Samuel, twin of Benjamin, deceased. 8. Sarah. 9. Charles. 10. Lydia, deceased. 11. William, of whom further. 13. Daughter, died in infancy. 14. A daughter, died in infancy.

William Luck, son of Isaac and Susan (Ritter) Luck, was born, April 1, 1843, in Snyder county, Pennsylvania. He received his education in the common schools of the county. On leaving school he engaged in carpentry, and in 1890 came to Mifflin county and now owns property on Main street of Mifflintown. He enlisted for service in the civil war, in September, 1864, in Company D, 208th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving until the close of the war in 1865. He was in several battles, one of them being at Petersburg, Virginia, and another at Fort Steadman. He was with his regiment during the entire time of his en-

listment. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, Wilson Post, No. 134, and is also a member of the Lutheran church. In politics he is a Republican.

He married (first) in 1870, Rachel Ewig, who died in 1882; he married (second) in 1883, Eliza Yeakly, who died in November, 1911, daughter of John Yeakly, a pioneer of Juniata Valley. Children by first marriage: 1. Harry, born in Snyder county in 1873; married Myra Dimm; he is in the marble and granite business in Lewistown, Pennsylvania; one child, Edgar. 2. Claude, born 1875, in Snyder county; was employed for some time in Elkhart, Indiana, living at Edwardsburg, Michigan; he married Cora Corner. 3. Ord Isaac, born 1878, killed by electricity in 1912, at South Bend, Indiana, while foreman of repair work; he married Sadie Smith, of Indiana; children: Veloise and Ruth. There were no children by the last marriage of William Luck.

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Barbara Yoder, widow, whose husband died on the passage and was buried at sea, had nine children, all of whom she brought with her to Pennsylvania, eight sons and one daughter, all born in Switzerland. They arrived in Pennsylvania prior to 1727, settling in what is now Oley township, Berks county, one of the first Amish Mennonite families that came to Pennsylvania. One of her sons, Yost Yoder, with his brother Hans pushed forward beyond the Oley Hills, and finally settled on the Manatawney near the "plantation" of Johannes Keim.

(II) Yost Yoder was one of the most active of the early frontiersmen of Pennsylvania, his chief occupation being hunting and trapping, although he also cleared and cultivated a "plantation". The Yoder Bible, brought by the family, dated 1530, was printed during the lifetime of Martin Luther and was held by the family as late as 1860. It is described as a fine specimen of the output of the German press of that day, had few illustrations and the texts were not arranged in verses. It was held as a priceless treasure by the early family and was as a "lamp to their feet" in their flight to America. Yost Yoder married and had issue: Johannes, born 1718, died April 7, 1812, married Catherine Lyster in 1745 and lived with her sixty-six years; Jacob, of whom further; Samuel, settled on a plantation half a mile from Pleasantville, Berks county, which he received from his father; a daughter, married

Lazareth Weidner. There was another son, David; and four daughters of Yost Yoder who cannot be named with certainty.

(III) David, son of Yost Yoder and grandson of Barbara Yoder, was born in 1735 in Berks county, Pennsylvania. He removed to the west side of the Schuylkill and became a farmer and saddler. He enlisted November 6, 1757, in the provincial service of the state of Pennsylvania and was saddler for three years in Captain Nicholas Weatherholt's company, stationed in Heidleburg township, Northampton. He also served in the revolution as private in Peter Nagle's company and later in Captain Charles Gobin's company, Sixth Berks County Militia, Colonel Joseph Heister commanding, August 10 to September 9, 1780. He married (first) Mary Keim; (second) Catherine Blank, daughter of John, son of Hans Blank, born in Switzerland and his wife Magdalene. Among the children of David Yoder was a son Yost, of whom further below.

(IV) Yost (2), son of David Yoder, was born about the year 1800 in Berks county, Pennsylvania. He moved to the Juniata Valley, settling in Union township, Mifflin county, became a wealthy farmer and large land owner of that township and there died. He married Catherine Zook, also of an old Amish Mennonite family, coming from Switzerland. Among their children was a son, Christ Z.

(V) Christ Z., son of Yost and Catherine (Zook) Yoder, was born in Union township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, about 1830, and is now living retired in Belleville, Pennsylvania. He became a farmer of Union township, owning a farm of seventy acres. Later he became a tanner, continuing in that business until his retirement. Both he and his wife belong to the Amish Mennonite church; he is a Republican in politics. He married Annie McGonigal. Children: 1. Elizabeth, died in infancy. 2. Yost, a farmer of Union township. 3. Levi M., of whom further. 4. John, of Goshen, Indiana. 5. Joseph W., a professor in music and a farm owner near Philadelphia; unmarried.

(VI) Levi M., son of Christ Z. and Annie (McGonigal) Yoder, was born in Union township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, January 10, 1863. He obtained his education in the public school and grew to manhood at the home farm. He taught school in his earlier life, also learned the carpenter's trade and worked at that occupation for about fifteen years during the summer months, teaching in the winter. In 1896 he





*L. M. Yoder*



began the manufacture of carpets at Belleville in a very small way, being the entire working force himself. He has prospered and expanded until he has a large plant employing one hundred people, much of the filling being prepared by outside families. All his factory buildings were erected by himself or under his supervision, as was also a fine residence on Chestnut street. He does a prosperous manufacturing business, his goods having an established reputation and much in demand. He has also become heavily interested in local real estate, owns about one hundred and fifty lots at Highland Park, also a tract of thirty-five acres adjoining Belleville, laid out in lots for manufacturing and residence sites, known as the "L. M. Yoder Addition". He has also erected several modern dwellings and has given an impetus to building operations in Belleville by his energy and enterprise. He is also interested in the automobile business, having a garage in Belleville thirty-two by one hundred and five feet. He is a capable, energetic man of business, and varied as are his interests, he is easily master of every detail and always the master of every situation occurring in any department of his affairs. He is a Progressive Republican, but has never sought or accepted public office. He is a member of the Amish Mennonite church and in all things an honorable, upright Christian gentleman.

He married in 1885, Annie Hartzler, born in Menno township, Mifflin county, daughter of Menno S. Hartzler and his wife Mary King, now of Menno township. Children: 1. Lena, graduate of Belleville high school, attended Goshen College, now a student at Defiance, Ohio, taking a course in domestic science. 2. Nellie, married John Detweiler, of Belleville. 3. Chester, educated at Belleville high school and Goshen College and has been assistant secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association work at Burnham. 4. Trella, now a student at Belleville high school, class of 1913. 5. Harry, at home. 6. Dorothy, at home.

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PANNEBAKER      The ancestor of the Pennsylvania families of Pannebecker, Pannebaker, Pennybaker and Penny-packer, was Hendrick Pannebecker, a Dutch patroon. He founded a family that includes a governor of Pennsylvania, a state senator of Virginia, a major-general of Pennsylvania, a state treasurer of Tennessee, a state agent of Kentucky, and sent into the Union army during the war between the states two generals, four

colonels, twenty-two other commissioned officers and many privates, including in all one hundred and forty-eight men.

Hendrick (sometimes called Heinrich) Pannebecker was born in the village of Flomborn, on the Rhine, not far from the city of Worms, March 21, 1674; although born in Germany, he was of Dutch lineage, his ancestors having moved from Holland to Flomborn, a village of five hundred souls, a large proportion of them being named Pannebecker. The name is of Dutch origin, signifying "a maker of titles". The exact date of his coming to Pennsylvania is not known, but it was soon after the first thirteen Dutch and German families had founded the settlement at Germantown. The first record of him is of his marriage at Germantown in 1699 to Eve Umstat, daughter of Hans Peter and Barbara Umstat, who arrived on the "Francis and Dorothy" from Crefield in 1685. In 1702 he settled on a tract of two hundred acres purchased from Matthias Van Bebber in the deed dated December 25, 1702, to which he added two hundred and four acres in 1708. He spoke fluently the three languages of his community, Dutch, German and English; was a competent surveyor and wrote deeds and other legal papers in both German and English. For the Penns he surveyed the manors of Manatawney, Gilberts and others, also laying out most of the roads in that part of Philadelphia county, now constituting the county of Montgomery. He became a large land owner, holding title to four thousand seven hundred and seventy-two acres and was a prominent figure in his community. He was the spokesman for his countrymen in all matters with the proprietary and provincial government and is referred to in a number of recorded instruments as "gentleman". He died April 4, 1754, his large estate being divided among his children. His wife Eve was a granddaughter of Nicholas Umstat, who died at Crefield on the Rhine, October 4, 1682. Her father, Hans Peter Umstat, came with his wife Barbara and three children, Johannes, Eve and Margaret, settling in Germantown. The Umstats brought with them from Crefield, a German Bible, published at Heidelberg in 1508, which has been owned in the family since 1652. Children of Hendrick and Eve Pannebecker: 1. Martha, born June 15, 1700, died in September, 1761; married Anthony Van der Sluys (Vanderclise) and their son Henry was later sheriff of Berks county, a surveyor and conveyancer in the neighborhood of Perkiomen and Skippack. 2. Adolph, born 1708, died in May, 1789, like his



four brothers he was a miller, lived and died in Limerick township. 3. Peter, of whom further. 4. John, born August 27, 1713, died June 14, 1784; married Annette Keyser, and became the ancestor of United States Senator Isaac S. Pennypacker, of Virginia. 5. Jacob, born 1715, died May 27, 1752; he married Margaret, daughter of Matthias and Barbara Sellen Tyson and granddaughter of Cornelius Tyson, who was born at Crefield, Germany, in 1652 and came to Germantown with his wife Margaret and several children. Jacob became the ancestor of ex-Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker. 6. Henry, born 1717, died May 31, 1792; married Rebecca Kuster, also of a prominent early Germantown family. 7. Barbara, born in 1720, married Cornelius Tyson. 8. Susanna, married Peter Keyser and lived in Worcester township, now Montgomery county.

(II) Peter, son of Hendrick and Eve (Umstat) Pannebecker, was born in Bebbers township, Philadelphia county. He was a miller by trade, associated with his brothers, marketing their product in Philadelphia. He was born March 8, 1710, died June 28, 1770. He married Elizabeth Keyser, of a prominent Germantown family. He is the ancestor of many descendants in eastern Pennsylvania and the Juniata Valley, bearing the name Pennypacker and Pannybaker.

(III) A son of Peter Pannebecker settled in Bucks county, where he lived and died a miller, operating a mill at a point long known as Pannebecker Mills, which at one period in the war was used by Washington as a headquarters building. He married and had a son, William.

(IV) William Pannebaker, grandson of Peter and Elizabeth (Keyser) Pannebecker, was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, in 1772, died in Fermanagh township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, about 1852. He was but a young boy during the revolution, but remembered the wounded men being brought in and laid on the kitchen floor, he afterward helping to clear away the blood that flowed over the floor. He came to Fermanagh township in 1811 and until 1830 operated a saw mill. He also owned land which he cleared and cultivated. He married his cousin, Elizabeth Pannebecker, their descendants spelling the name (as on the tombstone) Pannybaker. She was born in Bucks county in 1778, died in Fermanagh township, July 27, 1864. Children: Benjamin, William, Jonas, Moses, Joseph, of whom further; and Hannah, who died in Illinois.

(V) Joseph, son of William and Elizabeth Pannebaker, was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, in 1808, died in 1853. He was brought to Fermanagh township, Juniata county, in 1811, and there passed his life as a farmer. He was a Whig in politics and a member of the German Baptist church (Dunkard); his wife was a Lutheran. He married Magdelene Wert, born in Union county, Pennsylvania, in 1805, died in Fermanagh township in 1846. Children: Philip, deceased; Ann Eliza, married John G. Hackenberger, of Juniata county; Daniel, of whom further; Mary, deceased; Joseph; Rebecca, deceased; Moses and John.

(VI) Daniel, son of Joseph and Magdalene (Wert) Pannebaker, was born in Fermanagh township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, November 23, 1834. He attended public school and assisted at the home farm until nineteen years of age. He then began learning the blacksmith's trade. After finishing his years of apprenticeship he located in Mifflintown, where he conducted a shop until about 1897, when he engaged in the hardware business, retiring in 1911. He has been successful in business and is highly respected in his community. He was a Democrat in politics until 1897, since which date he has acted with the Republican party. In 1862 he enlisted in Company I, 126th Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry, serving nine months. In 1864 he reenlisted in Company E, 101st Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry, and served until the close of the war between the states, receiving an honorable discharge. He is a member of Lieutenant D. H. Wilson Post, No. 134, Grand Army of the Republic and of Mifflintown Lodge, No. 131, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

He married, May 13, 1856, Mary Ann Whitmer, born in Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, December 26, 1836, daughter of Benjamin and Lydia (Michael) Whitmer, of that county, who came to Juniata county about 1848. They settled first in Walker township, later in Fermanagh, both dying at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Daniel Pannebaker, in Mifflintown. On May 13, 1906, Mr. and Mrs. Pannebaker celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding and besides the felicitations of their many friends, were also remembered with many substantial tokens of the love and esteem in which they are held. Seven years have elapsed since the celebration and both are yet in good health, with many years of useful life before them, should such be the Divine

Will. Children of Daniel and Mary Ann (Whitmer) Pannebaker: 1. Juniata Mabel, married James W. Wagner of Mifflintown, who was killed in a railroad wreck at Clover Creek May 5, 1906. 2. Harry, educated in Mifflintown high school, now living in Pueblo, Colorado, a telegraph operator. He married Jennie Graham; children: Ralph, deceased; Mary, deceased; Roy, Ethel and Daniel. 3. Cloyd P., educated in the public schools; married Harriet Lingenfelter; children: Whitmer, deceased; Mildred, deceased; Mary and Juniata. 4. Ella May, residing with her parents. 5. Lydia Elizabeth, married H. P. Kelley of Newport, Pennsylvania, and has a son, Whitmer Henry. 6. Charles A., educated in the public schools; married Effie Gilbert and has a son, George Gilbert. 7. Myrven D., educated in public schools; married Jessie McGregor; children: Charles, Myrven and Frederick M.

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This name, originally Berge, was brought to Pennsylvania BERGEY about the year 1717 and belongs to an exceedingly large and prominent family. They carry on their roll five thousand names of Bergeys and Bergey descendants, scattered over many states, while the annual reunions of the family are largely attended.

The emigrant ancestor, John Ulrich Berge, came from Saxony, Germany, about the year 1717, settling in Salford township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased a farm of two hundred and fifty acres, March 16, 1726. In 1760 he was road supervisor of the township. In 1738 he was one of the charter members organizing Salford Mennonite Church, as was his wife, Anna Mary Berge, who bore him eleven children. Children: John; Michael, never married; Isaac; Samuel; Elizabeth; Mary, never married; Christian, of whom further; Abraham; Anna; Fronca; Salome (or Sarah). John Ulrich Berge made his will November 9, 1762, and it was probated December 11, 1762. His descendants spell the name Berky, Bergey, Bergy and Berge.

(II) Christian Bergey, the fifth son of John Ulrich Berge, came into the possession of his father's farm, after several years, and there died. He was a soldier of the revolution, his name being found on the "depreciation pay-roll". His wife was named Mary, and among their children was Samuel.

(III) Samuel, son of Christian Bergey (as this branch spells the

name), was born in Franconia township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, where he grew to manhood. About 1833 he moved to Juniata county, purchasing a farm in Fayette township, containing one hundred and fifty acres and there resided until death. He married and had issue: Jacob, died in Philadelphia; Enos, of whom further; Samuel, died in Mifflintown; Maria, married Jacob Shelley, a Mennonite minister; Susan, married Jacob Tretz; Lizzie, married a Mr. Rickenbaugh; Catherine, married Jacob Shafer, and now resides on North Second street, Philadelphia, aged eighty-six years; Sarah, married (first) Jacob Stine, (second) Porter Fink and died in Philadelphia; Phianna, married Michael Shirk, lived and died in Fayette township.

(IV) Enos, son of Samuel Bergey, was born in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, in 1821, coming to Juniata county when a boy of about twelve years, with his parents. He grew to manhood at the home farm and after his marriage purchased a farm in Fayette township. Later he lived on his own farm in Fermanagh township, then purchased the Jericho Mills property, including a farm of two hundred acres, where he resided until his death in 1880. His widow, now a woman of ninety years, never remarried and still resides at the old home in very good health. Mr. Bergey was a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife were members of the Mennonite church.

He married Nancy Seiber, born in or near Mifflin, Pennsylvania, in 1822. Children: 1. William, at Richfield, Pennsylvania, in 1911; a farmer and a Mennonite minister. 2. Mary, married Abraham Kurtz and resides in Thompsontown, Pennsylvania. 3. Lizzie, married Martin Mumma, of Dauphin, but lived near Williams Grove, in Cumberland county, where she died leaving two children. 4. John, of whom further. 5. Samuel, now a ranchman living at Los Angeles, California. 6. Sarah, died in infancy. 7. David, died aged twenty years. 8. Annie, married Frank Metrick and resides in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Nancy (Seiber) Bergey, the mother of these children, is a daughter of John and Mary (Sausman) Seiber, and a granddaughter of Christian Seiber, who settled in Juniata county in 1792, near Mifflintown, on a farm of two hundred acres, which is still owned by his descendants. He there erected the brick house now standing on the farm. Mary Sausman was a daughter of John Sausman, an early settler of Juniata county, whose pack of mastiffs often ran at night with their



master to drive wolves away. John and Mary Seiber were both Mennonites, living quiet, honorable lives, he dying comparatively young, she living to the extreme age of ninety-three years. Children: 1. Nancy, widow of Enos Bergey (of previous mention). 2. Christian, died in Indiana, aged eighty years. 3. Elizabeth, married Samuel Funk, whom she survives, a resident of Van Dyke, Pennsylvania, aged eighty-eight years. Their son, David Funk, M. D., resides in Harrisburg. 4. Solomon, lived and died, aged seventy years, at his farm near Mifflintown. 5. Barbara, married Rev. John Price and died near Yeagertown in Ferguson Valley. 6. Mary, married John Bashore and died in Fayette township, near McAlisterville. 7. Sarah, married Daniel Mertz and resides in White county, Indiana. 8. John, resides in Mifflintown, aged seventy-four years. 9. Joseph, now residing near McAlisterville. 10. Enoch, died in Indiana. 11. David, resides in Mifflin county, aged about sixty-eight years. Two other children, Samuel and Catherine, both died in infancy.

(V) John, son of Enos and Nancy (Seiber) Bergey, was born in Monroe township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, November 1, 1852. He was educated in the public school and grew to manhood at the home farm. He followed farming and milling, but his principal business until 1883 was live stock dealing, shipping from Mifflintown to distant markets. He continued in this business until October, 1883, when he established in the livery business in Mifflintown, and in 1900 purchased the large storehouse of the Suloff Warehouse Company, remodeling and converting it into a modern livery barn. He established the "bus" line in 1889 and still continues that branch of his business. His business demands a constantly ready stable of about twenty horses to meet daily demands, and has a well patronized successful livery. Mr. Bergey is a Republican in politics and has served on the borough council.

He married, in 1879, Sarah Haldeman, born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Abraham and Catherine Haldeman. Children: 1. Boyd, now a successful druggist, of Reading, Pennsylvania; married Ethel Gephart, of Iowa, and has sons, Taylor and John. 2. Carl, educated at Dickinson College; was a clerk in a trust company at Reading for three years, then for a time a traveling salesman, now at home, his father's assistant. 3. Roy, married Mary Haller and resides at Mifflintown, a civil engineer in the employ of the state; child, Robert. 4. Paul.

married Ruth Taylor and resides in Mifflintown; a clerk in the office of the Standard Steel Works at Burnham; child, Paul (2).

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The genealogy of the North family of the Juniata Valley NORTH is traced in this country to Roger (2) North, born in Ireland, a son of Caleb North, lord lieutenant of Ireland, married Jane Eckerly, and grandson of Roger (1) North, of New Castle, West Heath, Ireland.

(III) Roger (2) North was born in Ireland; married Ann Rambo and, prior to the year 1753, was a resident of the city of Philadelphia. He had a son Caleb (2).

(IV) Colonel Caleb (2) North, son of Roger (2) and Ann (Rambo) North, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1753, died in Coventry, Pennsylvania, in 1840. He was a brave officer of the revolution. He was with Washington at the "crossing of the Delaware"; fought throughout the war, rising to the rank of colonel in the Pennsylvania line. He was president of the Society of the Cincinnati, and in 1819 sheriff of Philadelphia county. He married Lydia North and left issue.

(V) William, son of Colonel Caleb (2) North, was born in Philadelphia. He married and had issue: James, of whom further; Caleb, a tanner of Millerstown, Perry county, Pennsylvania; Joshua, a soldier of the war of 1812, and a tanner of Millerstown; Rebecca, married Dr. Ezra Doty, of Juniata county.

(VI) James, son of William North, with his brothers, Caleb and Joshua, established a tannery at Millerstown, Perry county, Pennsylvania, continuing there until about the year 1800, when James withdrew and located at Thompsontown, in Juniata (then Cumberland) county, Pennsylvania. He there established a tannery which he operated for many years. He was a justice of the peace, then an office of great importance (practically a judgeship), served for many years, and was prominent in local affairs, being a man of intelligence above the average. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and a man of strictly religious life. He died in February, 1828.

He married Rachel, daughter of Francis Jordan, of Millerstown, who died in 1872. Children: Thomas, died at Richfield, Juniata county, a tannery owner; Lewis, died in Hamilton county, Ohio, a carpenter and undertaker; Caleb, died at Atchison, Kansas, moving west at an

early day, a school teacher; Sarah, married a Mr. Postlethwaite, of Mifflin county; Euphenia, married Philip Strouse, of Mexico, Juniata county; Hannah W.; James (2), of whom further; Amos J., died at Atchison, Kansas, a miller; Rebecca, married Colonel John Bryner, of Peoria, Illinois; Eliza B., married David Witherow, also of Peoria.

(VII) James (2), son of James (1) and Rachel (Jordan) North, was born at Thompsettown, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, November 6, 1819. He was educated in subscription schools, earning the money himself to pay for his tuition. He was employed by Robert Thompson at light work on the farm and so well was Mr. Thompson pleased with his work as a boy that he gave him work on his canal boats, paying him five dollars monthly. As boy and young man he was frugal and ere long was himself owner and captain of a boat, plying the waters of the canal. In January, 1836, the Thompsons placed him in charge of a branch store at Newton Hamilton, where he worked for his board and clothing, but gaining a valuable business experience; then for a few years received a salary of one hundred dollars yearly, finally was admitted as a partner. He continued in business until 1844, when his partner died and the business was closed up. Mr. North then moved to a tract of one hundred and twenty acres of wild land in Juniata county, the patrimony of his wife. This he partly cleared and worked until 1847, when he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad, connected with the engineering corps. When the road was opened he was appointed agent at Millerstown, remaining one year. He was then transferred to Mifflin Station (Patterson), where he was freight and ticket agent, also agent for the Adams Express Company. When the telegraph line was extended west of Harrisburg, he was the assistant of H. Jones Brooks and was the first telegraph operator on the line. During the early existence of the railroad, in order to win business, he established a store and purchased all products of the region brought to him, including poles, grain, etc., dealing also in coal and lumber. He was the instructor in telegraphy of many young men, some of whom later became well known and prominent operators. Among his pupils were: David Strouse, who became superintendent of the military telegraph lines of the United States government under Colonel Thomas A. Scott, and D. Homer Bates, later vice-president of the Tradesman's National Bank of New York. Mr. North remained in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad thirty-five

years, then resigned and was succeeded by his son, Washington S. He was a prominent factor in the development of the region that was opened up by the coming of the railroad. He was one of the founders of the town of Patterson and its first burgess, served on the borough school board, and when the postoffice was established in 1853 was appointed postmaster, holding until 1861. Until the year 1860, Mr. North was an active Whig, but with the passing of that party he became a Democrat and ever afterward supported that party. In 1884 he was elected a member of the lower house of the state legislature, and later was a clerk in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth, resigning in 1895. He was also one of the early bank organizers of the Juniata Valley, assisting in 1852 in organizing the Lewistown Bank as a state bank, also serving as director. He was associated with R. M. Spear in the Union Bank of Huntingdon; was for a time president of the Juniata Valley Bank of Mifflintown, and an organizer, also director, of the Farmer's Bank of Harrisburg. He was also a large owner of real estate, his holdings at one time totaling sixteen hundred acres. He was a member and trustee of the Presbyterian church for many years, and at one time was active in the Masonic order. He died in 1898, aged seventy-nine years. He was a strong character and an important factor in the development and progress of the Juniata Valley.

He married, November 12, 1840, Susanna Matilda Strouse, who died in 1896, daughter of David Strouse. Children: Caleb C., cashier of the Columbia National Bank of Washington, D. C.; Washington S., of whom further; Rebecca, married P. W. Crider, of the firm of Crider & Jackson, bankers and merchants of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania; Herman H., attorney-at-law and ex-member of the legislature, of Bradford, Pennsylvania; Mary M., married George Jacobs, whom she survives, a resident of Philadelphia.

(VIII) Washington Strouse, second son of James (2) and Susanna Matilda (Strouse) North, was born in Turbett township, Juniata county, October 29, 1847. He was educated in the public schools, Port Royal Academy and Eastman's Business College, a graduate of the latter in 1865. During his school years he was his father's assistant in the warehouse at Patterson, and after graduation returned, and until 1884 was so employed. In the latter year he succeeded his father as station agent at Patterson, for the Pennsylvania railroad, continuing until the year



1900—a period of service as boy and man, with the railroad, covering thirty-six years, thirty of which he was his father's assistant, but virtually carrying for many of these years the full burden of responsibility of the agency. He had kept the coal and lumber business, begun in early years by James North, in operation and so largely had the business increased that in 1900 he was compelled to resign his railroad position. He has since devoted himself exclusively to this and his other private affairs. His coal and lumber business is a retail one, well established and prosperous. He is president of the Juniata Company, a corporation formed to furnish light and power (electric) to the towns of Mifflin and Mifflintown. He also has a farm of one hundred and twenty-five acres, which he operates, a part of the estate of his father, who prior to his death had disposed of all of his sixteen hundred acres, except two farms. Mr. North is a Democrat in politics and has held every borough office except that of poor director. In 1893 he was elected treasurer of Juniata county, serving three years. In religious faith he is a Presbyterian, as is his wife.

He married, January 19, 1869, Olivia Jacobs, born in Juniata county, died December 24, 1907, daughter of George and Sarah (Christy) Jacobs, both of old Juniata Valley families. Children: 1. James Cloyd, now his father's assistant in business; he married Elizabeth C. Grubb and has Olivia, Elizabeth and James. 2. Nellie Olivia, married John J. (2) Patterson, an attorney-at-law and resides at Mifflintown; children: John J. (3), Lucretia and Olivia. 3. Mary Edith, resides at the family home in Mifflin.

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The Kauffmans of Mifflintown, Pennsylvania, descend from Jacob Kauffman, of Germany, born 1737, whose birth date is found written in a "Book of Martyrs", yet treasured as an heirloom in the family. Among his seven children was a son Jacob, of whom further.

(II) Jacob (2), son of Jacob (1) Kauffman, born October 28, 1766, married and had a son Jacob, of whom further.

(III) Jacob (3), son of Jacob (2) Kauffman, was born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in 1798, there grew to manhood, lived and died. After his marriage he purchased a partly cleared tract of one hundred acres in Walker township which he finished clearing and cultivated until

his death. He built a good residence of brick, which yet stands in good condition, and a large barn which was destroyed by fire in the fall of 1888 and rebuilt in 1889. He married Sarah Anna Kurtz, also born in Juniata county, a Mennonite. Children: Jonas, of whom further; Phoebe, married David Hertzler, and lived at Port Royal, Pennsylvania, both deceased; Isaac, a lifelong farmer of Walker township, his farm lying along the "pike", married and both deceased; Sarah, married John Arnold, and moved to Michigan, where both died; Kurtz, deceased, was a farmer near Mifflintown; Mary and Jacob, died in infancy.

(IV) Jonas, son of Jacob (3) and Sarah Anna (Kurtz) Kauffman, was born in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in 1826, died in 1898. He grew to manhood at the home farm and obtained an education in the public schools. After reaching man's estate he engaged in mercantile business in his native neighborhood, later moving to Logansport, Indiana, where he engaged as a merchant. After the death of his father he bought the interest of the other heirs and became the owner of the homestead farm upon which he resided until his death. He was a prosperous farmer and a man of high character, a member of the Mennonite church and in all things upright and conscientious. He was a Republican in politics and served as collector of taxes for Walker township. He married, in 1853, Eliza, daughter of David and Anna (Shellenberger) Moist. David Moist owned a fine farm in his native township of Fermanagh, a plain, unassuming and good man; a member of the River Brethren. His wife Anna, born near McAlisterville, bore him eight children and died at the great age of ninety-six years. Children of Jonas and Eliza (Moist) Kauffman: 1. Harvey, now a farmer of Colorado, unmarried. 2. Banks W., born in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, August 22, 1857; educated in the public schools, and until 1887 a farmer; he then became a salesman of agricultural implements, later of musical instruments and sewing machines, continuing until 1895, when he organized the firm of Kauffman & Harley and began the manufacture of carpets in Mifflintown, where he is now successfully established; he married Elizabeth, daughter of John and Mary (Graybill) Shelley, of Fayette township, and has children: Rosie May, Jonas Boyd, Ray Shelley and Mary; Banks W. Kauffman is a Republican, and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. 3. Sarah A., married Dr. Frank Books and has: Blanche, married Charles

Alberti, and resides in Colorado; Edwin, married Flossie Bramble, and also lives in Colorado. 4. Eliza Jennie, married William Harley, associate judge of Juniata county, living in Mifflintown; children: Lola, Edna, Harold. 5. Lincoln, manager of the homestead farm where he also maintains and operates a dairy; he married Annie Kurtz, daughter of Abraham and Mary (Bergy) Kurtz, of Kurtz Valley; children: Ethel, deceased; Lincoln, Rosco, Mary, Kurtz, Grace, Nora, George. 6. Mary E., deceased; married Samuel Hetrick and lived in Lancaster, Pennsylvania; two children: Hazel and Grace. 7. Isabella, married David Seiber, farmer, and resides at Locust Run; six children: Mildred, Edwin, Banks, Beulah, Catherine, Stanley.

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This branch of the Kyle family came to the Juniata Valley from Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, Moses Kyle being the first settler. He was one of a family of eleven born in Lycoming county, where he grew to manhood. He settled in Juniata county where he purchased a tract of three hundred acres, which he cleared and cultivated. On his farm he built a stone house in which his children were born. His wife Sarah bore him three children: John Thompson, deceased, a lawyer of Princeton, Illinois; Watson, died in infancy; James, of whom further.

(II) James, son of Moses and Sarah Kyle, was born in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania. He purchased his brother's share of the homestead and there lived his entire life. He sold a part of the original tract of three hundred acres, retaining one hundred and sixty acres, which he cultivated successfully. During the civil war he was drafted into the military service of the United States, but furnished a substitute. He was a Democrat in politics, and both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. He married Mary E. Wike, of Walker township, her father a farmer and land owner. She had two sisters: Elizabeth, who married Joseph Barker, of Altoona, Pennsylvania; and Rebecca, who married Henry Diven, of Harrisburg. Children of James Kyle: 1. Rebecca, deceased; married G. M. Diven; children: William, David Kyle, Mary. 2. Clara Belle, died aged sixteen years. 3. John Thompson, died aged eighteen years. 4. Annie, deceased; married David Sieber; left no issue. 5. Watson, died in infancy. 6. James William, of whom further.

(III) James William, son of James and Mary E. (Wike) Kyle, was born on the farm he now owns in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, February 14, 1875. He was educated in the public schools and Airy View Academy. Later he spent two years in Muncie, Indiana, working in the Malleable Iron Works. Returning home he purchased the homestead in Walker township, where he yet resides. He is one of the successful farmers of his town; has remodeled the house; added new building and greatly improved the property in many ways. He conducts general farming operations in connection with stock raising. In politics Mr. Kyle is a Democrat and in 1909 was elected collector of taxes for Walker township and is yet in office. He is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, and both he and his wife belong to the Presbyterian church.

He married, January 20, 1897, Mary Elizabeth Sieber, born November 16, 1865, in Fayette township, Pennsylvania, daughter of David and Anna Elizabeth (Witmer) Sieber, both old Juniata Valley families. Children: James; William, and Doyle Sieber Kyle.

(The Sieber Line).

Mary Elizabeth (Sieber) Kyle was born November 16, 1865, in Fayette township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, a descendant of Christian Sieber, born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, in 1801, came to Fermanagh township, Juniata county, in 1813, where he became a prosperous farmer.

(II) David, eighth of the thirteen children of Christian Sieber, was born in Fermanagh township, January 13, 1824, and there grew to manhood. He married, in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, February 22, 1848, Anna Elizabeth Witmer and settled in Fayette township, where he owned the John Y. Shelley farm near McAlisterville. This he sold, again bought and sold finally, owning a farm of two hundred acres one-half mile below Mexico, where he died October 8, 1891. His wife died May 22, 1889. Both were members of the Mennonite church. Children: 1. Addison R., born March 10, 1850; now resides in Harrisburg. 2. Louisa F., born November 9, 1852; resides in Mexico, Pennsylvania, unmarried. 3. Clara Belle, born August 16, 1855; married Tunis Vosburg and resides in Mexico. 4. Henry O., born May 1, 1858; now residing in Mexico. 5. Daughter, born in April, 1860, died unnamed. 6.



- David C., born November 15, 1861; resides at Locust Run; a farmer.  
7. Mary E., born November 16, 1865; married James William Kyle.  
8. Banks J., born March 9, 1868, died aged eighteen months.

(The Witmer Line).

Anna Elizabeth Witmer, born January 16, 1827, wife of David Sieber and mother of Mary Elizabeth (Sieber) Kyle, was a descendant of John Witmer, born in Switzerland in 1687, arrived in Philadelphia in 1716, and settled four miles west of the present city of Lancaster, where he died in January, 1728. His wife Catherine, born in 1690, died in 1760. Their first two children were born in Switzerland, the third in Pennsylvania: Elizabeth, born 1712; Michael, 1714; Barbara, 1717.

(II) Michael, son of John Witmer, "the emigrant", died in 1789. He became very wealthy, married Anna Long and left each of his five children a generous property. Children: John, born 1750, died 1817; Herman, born 1753; Abraham, born 1756; Anna, born 1760, died 1831; Mary, born 1763, died 1788.

(III) John, eldest son of Michael and Anna (Long) Witmer, grew to manhood at the farm near Lancaster, where he became a miller. He early came to Juniata county, where he built a mill and engraved on a stone in its walls the date of its erection. He owned land inherited from his father, lying on the west side of the Susquehanna river in what is now the northeastern corner of Juniata county, containing two hundred and thirty-two acres, also owning one hundred and fifty acres in Snyder county. He served as a private in Captain Philip Beck's company, Third Battalion Lancaster County Militia in 1781. He married and had issue: Abraham, born 1780, died in 1829; Anna, born in 1782; Barbara, born in 1784, died in 1828; Fannie, born in 1786; Henry, born in 1788, died in 1866; Jacob, born in 1790, died in 1847; Mary, born in 1792, died in 1829; John, born in 1793, died in 1829; Magdalene; Elizabeth.

From the revolutionary soldier, John Witmer, descended Anna Elizabeth Witmer, wife of David Sieber and mother of Mary Elizabeth Sieber, wife of James William Kyle.

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SNYDER This name, Schneider in German, was first found in Pennsylvania in official lists under date of September 15, 1728, when Matheis and Christian landed from the same

ship, coming from Germany. Under the anglicized spelling, Snyder is found on lists of September 18, 1727. While many retain the German spelling, the form Snyder is almost as freely used, although in the lists of those landing in the province there were one hundred and fifty-three Schneiders and but thirty-seven Snyders. However, this proportion would not hold good in latter days. The founder of this branch was Anthony Snyder, who was born at Knippenburgh, near Oppenheim, Germany, arrived in Pennsylvania in 1748 and settled in Lancaster.

(I) A descendant of Anthony was Henry Harrison Snyder, born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, where he lived and died. He married Anna Staley born in Lancaster county of Irish parentage. Among his children was Jacob S., mentioned below.

(II) Jacob S., son of Henry Harrison and Anna (Staley) Snyder, was born in Lancaster county in 1817, died in 1903. He learned the carpenter's trade, later became an undertaker and located at Reamstown, Lancaster county. He was a Lutheran in religion, and a Republican in politics. He married Anna Bridegam, born in Lancaster county in 1815, daughter of Henry and Sarah Bridegam, both of Lancaster county, all members of the Reformed church. Children: 1. Henry Harrison, who died in 1911, aged seventy-one years. He was a lieutenant in the civil war, serving from the first call to the final surrender in Company L, Seventh Regiment Cavalry, and once for a term of five days was acting captain of his company. 2. Jacob A., died in 1864, one of the victims of the Salisbury (North Carolina) prison pen, after having been held a prisoner at Libby Prison in Richmond. He was a private of the Fifty-fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. 3. William F., of whom further. 4. Anna, married John Mumma, of Lancaster county. 5. Sarah, married Charles Tole, of Lancaster City. 6. Mary Elizabeth, married Scott Groff, of Lancaster county, whom she survives. 7. Susan Rebecca, married Charles Witmeyer, of Lancaster county.

(III) William Franklin, son of Jacob S. and Anna (Bridegam) Snyder, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, November 16, 1845. He was educated in the public schools and at a suitable age went to Tamaqua, Pennsylvania, to learn the trade of chairmaker, serving one and a half years, then enlisted, although his term had not expired. He enlisted, in 1863, in Company E, Twenty-seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving six months, then returned home and



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for a time again worked at his trade. In 1864 he enlisted in Captain A. B. Sanno's independent cavalry company, serving one hundred days, receiving honorable discharge, September 16, 1864. On September 17, or the next day, reënlisted in Company I, Ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, for one year, serving until the close of the war. He was with Sherman in his march from "Atlanta to the sea" and witnessed the surrender of General Johnston's army. After the war he finished learning his trade and worked in Lancaster until 1867, then located in Mifflintown, where he was married a year later. In January, 1868, he began the manufacture of chairs for his own account, his father-in-law, Mr. Sandoe, conducting an undertaking establishment. He continued thus until 1878, then purchased Mr. Sandoe's interest and has since conducted the undertaking business in Mifflintown alone, selling out his chair manufacturing to his son, D. L. Snyder, in 1909. He continued his undertaking business until February 1, 1913, when he sold that department to his son, D. L. Snyder, and retired. He has been very successful in business, built a fine store building in 1909, and now lives in a residence he erected in 1901. During the years he spent in undertaking he conducted the funerals of three thousand one hundred and thirty-four persons, his business extending over a large expanse of territory surrounding Mifflintown. He is a Progressive in politics and has served as member of the borough council. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, Mr. Snyder having been a member forty-seven years, active and useful. He belongs to D. H. Wilson Post, No. 134, Grand Army of the Republic; has been an Odd Fellow for forty-three years, first joining Lodge No. 131, now a member of Lodge No. 911. He has filled all the official chairs in the local lodge and in 1876 was representative to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, sitting in Philadelphia.

He married, December 24, 1867, Isabella, daughter of Anthony Sandoe, an early settler in Mifflintown, locating there in 1840, and died in 1905; he married Rebecca Coder, who died in Mifflintown in 1897. Anthony Sandoe was in the undertaking business in Mifflintown until 1878, when he sold out to his son-in-law William F. Snyder. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Snyder: 1. Rebecca, born 1870; married Cooper Moorehead of Newport, Perry county, Pennsylvania; children: Isabella and Miriam. 2. Mary E., born 1873; married William Frasier, of Lin-

coln, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. 3. David Lewis, born August 11, 1882; now his father's successor in the furniture and undertaking business; married Frances Gouchenour and has a son, William Franklin (2).

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For nearly one hundred years the Hayes family has been prominent in the Kishacoquillas valley, the original settler in this branch being John Hayes. He was the son of Andrew and Jane (Alcorn) Hayes, both born in county Armagh, Ireland, who prior to the revolution came to this country, settling in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. Andrew and Jane (Alcorn) Hayes had nine children: Robert, Thomas, Edward, Andrew, John, of whom further; Frank, William, Henry, Sarah and one who died young.

(II) John, son of Andrew and Jane (Alcorn) Hayes, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, March 6, 1797. He grew to manhood in his native county, attended the public schools, worked at farming and learned the plasterer's trade, serving a regular apprenticeship. He followed his trade for a time in Center county, Pennsylvania, but in 1824 moved to Mifflin county. He worked in that county for thirty years, becoming well known as a master of his trade and a reliable contractor. In 1854 he purchased the farm upon which he resided, and there died, March 14, 1888, aged ninety-one years, a worthy, respected citizen. John Hayes married Jane, born March 11, 1803, daughter of John Alexander, of Scotch parentage, whose ancestors lived in the vicinity of Sterling, Scotland. She was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church and died January 10, 1883. Children: William, born July 2, 1825, died in 1838; Henry, born November 3, 1826; John, of whom further; Francis, born March 1, 1830, died in 1866; Josiah, born April 1, 1833; Jane Ann, born July 19, 1838, died in 1843; William James, born October 20, 1843, a farmer, married, May 14, 1890, Emily Bigelow.

(III) John (2), son of John (1) and Jane (Alexander) Hayes, was born in Brown township, Mifflin county, near the famous "Logan Spring", July 9, 1828, died at his home three and a half miles west of Reedsville, March 23, 1887. He grew to manhood in his native township and attended the public schools, remaining there until the age of twenty-four years. In 1852 in company with his brother Henry, he made a journey to California, via the Isthmus, remaining until 1859, but dur-

ing that period made a visit home. In 1859 he returned to Millin county, married and located in Reedsville, where he owned a farm of one hundred and eighty-five acres. This he improved by the addition of new buildings and there carried on general farming until 1870. He then retired to a small tract of six acres, three and a half miles west of Reedsville, where in 1830 his father, John (1) Hayes, had built a home. There John (2) Hayes lived until his death in 1887. He was a Democrat in politics and an attendant of the Presbyterian church.

He married Rebecca J. Reed, born in Brown township, Millin county, March 5, 1838, died at sea, December 14, 1910, while returning from Yokohama, Japan, to San Francisco. Her body was returned to her native town, Reedsville, where she and her husband sleep in East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian Cemetery; she having been a member of that church all her life. She was a daughter of Abner Reed and his second wife, Rhoda McKinney, and granddaughter of James and Jane (Ogleby) Reed. James Reed, with his half-brother, William Brown, were the first white settlers in the Kishacoquillas valley. Children of John (2) and Rebecca J. Hayes: Jane Alexander, died aged ten months; Rhoda McKinney, now residing in Broom township, at the old home; J. Frank; Abner Reed, now an attorney of Lewistown, married Lucy Parker, of Washington, D. C.; Ann Williamson, now living in Oakland, California.

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Harry C. Smith, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, descends  
SMITH from a family that has long been established in Juniata  
Valley, Pennsylvania. For several generations they have  
been numbered among the most progressive citizens of the valley, and  
have been justly held in high esteem by the public.

(1) Jacob Smith, the grandfather of Harry C. Smith, passed his entire business life in Lewistown. Upon the completion of the Pennsylvania canal as far west as Lewistown in 1829, and then to the foot of the Allegheny Mountains two years later, among other young men of energy and enterprise attracted to Lewistown as a location for business were the twin brothers, Jacob and Henry Smith, who came to the growing borough from York, Pennsylvania. In May, 1832, they established a coachmaking business, making a specialty of coaches, doctors' gigs, Dearborn wagons and sleighs. The business thrived wonderfully, and the firm turned out the best line of goods then on the market in

that region. The same year these twins and partners in business traveled back to York together on a special errand, as is learned from the following notice copied from a Lewistown paper:

"July 5, 1832, at York, Pennsylvania, by Reverend Mr. Clough, Henry Smith, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, to Miss Rachael Fahs. At the same time and place, by Reverend Mr. Zeigler, Jacob Smith, of Lewistown, to Miss Elizabeth S. Welsh, of York, Penn."

Arriving in Lewistown with their brides on the canal packet-boat, business and family affairs were at once united, Henry taking charge of the painting and leather branch, and Jacob of the wood and iron work. The location of the business was the site of the present home of Mrs. Maggie McCoy, widow of General Thomas F. McCoy, and children, on North Main street; the ground in front now occupied by the residence being used as a yard for vehicles awaiting repair. The wooden building now in the rear part of the McCoy property was the workshop, which stood on a line with the alley. This property, valuable for business or residence purposes, was owned by Jacob, who later in 1841, erected the brick residence, which at that time was considered the finest dwelling in the town. April 1, 1833, by mutual consent, the firm of Smith Brothers was dissolved, each continuing in the same line of business for himself. A few years later Henry moved to Huntingdon, Pennsylvania; later returning to Lewistown to open a grocery and follow sign painting. Some time in the decade of the forties Jacob Smith moved from his former location on North Main street to a property he purchased a few doors farther north, the site now occupied by Mrs. Frank E. Mann. Here he carried on coachmaking until the summer of 1849, when he sold the business to John Clarke, a practical coachmaker, who soon moved the plant to North Brown street, near Market, where Henry Zerbe was associated as a partner. A few years after its introduction into this country Jacob Smith studied and took up the discovery of Daguerre in a practical way, and opened the first permanent gallery for practising the art of "taking pictures" in Lewistown. He erected a large building for the purpose adjoining his home on the site of the Mann residence, spoken of above. In this calling, which was in after years superseded by photography, he was succeeded by his son, James W. Smith, who for many years was the leading photographic artist in the town. To Jacob and Elizabeth Susan (Welsh) Smith were born two



children: James Welsh, of whom further; Emma Jane, who died October 9, 1850, at the age of seven years and a few months. Elizabeth Susan (Welsh) Smith died in Lewistown, November 19, 1860, aged fifty-two years, one month and twenty-five days. Jacob Smith married (second) Margaret Markley, of Lewistown, February 19, 1863. One daughter was the fruit of this union, Matilda, who married Grant Burlew.

(II) James Welsh, son of Jacob and Elizabeth Susan (Welsh) Smith, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, probably in 1833, died November 10, 1891. He married Annie Comfort, daughter of an old Pennsylvania family, a native of Lewistown. He succeeded to his father's photographic business and was for many years the leading photographer of Lewistown. He possessed the true artistic instinct, and the posing of his subject was copied universally. He was a civil war veteran, serving his country faithfully and loyally during the time of stress. He enlisted first on the nine months' call, July, 1862, in the One Hundred and Thirty-first Regiment, Company D, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served his full enlistment. Being honorably discharged he returned to Lewistown, took up the broken threads of life and again began his photographic work. He reënlisted February 5, 1865, in Company C, Eighteenth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, as a musician, to serve until the close of the war. He was mustered out June 7, 1865, at Nashville, Tennessee. Again he returned home to reënter the photographic business. One child only was born to James Welsh and Annie (Comfort) Smith: Harry Comfort, of whom further.

(III) Harry Comfort, son of James Welsh and Annie (Comfort) Smith, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, July 31, 1868. He was educated in the public schools of Lewistown and on leaving them he engaged as clerk for a firm in Pennfield, Pennsylvania, for a few months. From December 14, 1887, to July 6, 1904, he was employed by the Pennsylvania railroad. Leaving this company he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Glass Sand Company as assistant bookkeeper, remaining in that position until the organization of the Pennsylvania Pulverizing Company, an affiliated concern, and has remained with this company until the present time (1913). He is a Democrat in politics and served one term as clerk of the city council, at the time the sewage system and the present system of arc lights were installed. He is a

member of the Presbyterian church and is treasurer of the same. Mr. Smith is unmarried.

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Dyson Fisher, of Burnham, Pennsylvania, is an example  
FISHER of what a progressive man, though foreign born, may accomplish in the United States by close application and a determination to succeed in business in whatever line he may choose. Born in England, reared in the conservative manner of the subjects of that country, living there until he had reached adult age, he came to this country to confront new ideals, new labor conditions and a foreign people. That he succeeded goes without saying.

(I) William Fisher, grandfather of Dyson Fisher, was a native of Denby Dale, England. He was a farmer, farming the land as his ancestors had done before him for countless generations. Children: 1. Luke, of whom further. 2. Seth, lives in Denby Dale. 3. William, lives in Sheffield, England. 4. Ellen, deceased. 5. Christiana, lives in Denby Dale. 6. Christopher, lives in Bradford, England.

(II) Luke, oldest son of William Fisher, of Denby Dale, England, was born in Denby Dale, and there grew up and married his wife, Mary Lockwood, daughter of William Lockwood, a farmer and native of Denby Dale. William Lockwood had children: Ann, a widow, living in Denby Dale; Eliza; Mary, mother of Dyson Fisher; James. After the marriage of Luke Fisher and Mary Lockwood they moved to Bradford, England, where he was engaged in the textile industry and followed that until his death, in Bradford, at the age of fifty-six. His wife died in Bradford, aged fifty-four. He was a Conservative in politics and both he and his wife were communicants of the Church of England. Children: 1. Walter, died in 1912, in England. 2. Ellen, widow of Thomas Pickard, of Bradford. 3. Clara, died aged twenty-one, unmarried. 4. Dyson, of whom further. 5. Albert, died aged seven.

(III) Dyson, son of Luke and Mary (Lockwood) Fisher, was born in Bradford, England, June 21, 1862. He received his education in the public schools of Bradford. On leaving school, while yet a youth, he entered the Bolling Iron Works, of Bradford, to learn steel making, and remained with the company for nine years. In 1882 he came to the United States imbued with the idea of more rapid advancement than

he could hope for in his native country. He located at Logan, now Burnham, Pennsylvania, the seat of the Logan Iron & Steel Works, and has made his home there since. He at once entered the employ of the Standard Steel Works, in the hammer shop department, working with a vim and energy for which he is known. In two or three years he entered the boring mills department, in which department he has remained. From 1894 until 1909 he was general foreman of the department. He then resigned and has since done contracting in the same department. Through thrift and business acumen he has been able to accumulate a nice property in Burnham. He has erected a large double house, one side of which serves for his home, while the other he rents. He has become a naturalized citizen of the United States; is a Republican in politics, and has been school director of Derry township. Both he and his wife are members of the Episcopal church. He is a Knight of Pythias in high standing, a Knight of Malta, and a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, at Lewistown; Lewistown Chapter, Lewistown Commandery, and also the Harrisburg Consistory and the Harrisburg Council.

He married, July 16, 1881, Edith Emily Shackleton, born in Bradford, England, daughter of George and Dinah Shackleton, both deceased; Mrs. Fisher is also deceased. One child, a daughter, Minnie, married Calvin Crownover, born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, son of Samuel Irvin Crownover. Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Crownover have one son, Dyson Lockwood.

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The Baker family came to the Juniata Valley from eastern Pennsylvania, settling in Union county, thence to Snyder county, where John Baker owned a small farm and lived until his removal with his son Daniel to Mifflin county. There he died, September 29, 1871, aged eighty-eight years, three months and nine days. He married (second) Margaret Reitz, who bore him nine children. By a first wife he had two, and by a third wife one child. Both John and Margaret Baker were members of the Lutheran church; their children were: Daniel, of whom further; Frederick, died in Mifflin county; David, died in Snyder county; John, died aged twenty-one years; Absalom, died aged twenty-two years; Sophia, married George Roath and died in Iowa; Sarah, married George Harmon and died in

Ohio; Mary, married a Mr. Harpster and died in Iowa; Elizabeth, married Daniel Freese and died in Michigan.

(II) Daniel, son of John and Margaret (Reitz) Baker, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, October 25, 1817, died in Mifflin county, December 24, 1881. He grew to manhood in Snyder county, remaining on the farm until his marriage, when he moved to Mifflin county, settling first in Oliver township. He remained there seven years; then moved to Granville township, thence to Armagh township, finally settling in Derry township, where in 1865 he bought a farm of two hundred acres. He was an industrious, upright farmer, a Republican in politics and both he and his wife members of the Lutheran church, but later in life became Presbyterians.

Daniel Baker married, January 2, 1841, Susanna Ritter, who died September 19, 1898, aged seventy-eight years, eight months and thirteen days. She was the daughter of Henry Ritter, born in Pennsylvania, of German descent, a farmer and land owner of Snyder county. He married Magdalena Brouse, who bore him children: Henry, George, Jacob, Samuel, Sarah, Sophia, Kate, Susanna and Mary. Both Henry and Magdalena Ritter were members of the Lutheran church. Children of Daniel and Susanna (Ritter) Baker: Susanna, died young; Sophia, deceased, married William R. Treaster, who now lives in Kansas; Sarah, deceased, married Joseph Shirey, of Derry township; Joseph, of whom further; Catherine, married Andrew Weader and lives in Snyder county; Martha, died in infancy; Mary Margaret, deceased, married Jacob Richards, a minister of the German Baptist church; H. Albert, married Sally Worley and lives in Juniata county.

(III) Joseph, son of Daniel and Susanna (Ritter) Baker, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, May 12, 1850. He was three years of age when his parents moved to Mifflin county, where he was educated in the public schools. He remained at the home farm with his father and after the death of the latter, bought out the other heirs and became sole owner of the two hundred-acre farm in Derry township. He continued there a successful farmer until the spring of 1907, when he bought a small tract of fourteen acres at Vira and there lives retired from active labor, but cultivating his small farm. He is a Republican in politics and served as supervisor of Derry township for several years. For many years Mr. Baker has been a pillar of the Presbyterian church, holding the office of elder. He has led an active, useful life and holds



the respect of his community as an honorable, upright man, his life being one of usefulness.

He married, November 17, 1870, Mary A. Burkheimer, born July 30, 1845, in Center county, Pennsylvania, daughter of John and Jane Ellen (McKinney) Burkheimer, both deceased. John Burkheimer, a blacksmith, was born in Center county and died there in 1846. Ellen, his widow, married (second) William Hawlk and died in 1864 in Mifflin county, also her native county. Children of John Burkheimer: One died in infancy; William L., an attorney, now living in Kohoka, Missouri; John E., a minister of the Free Methodist Episcopal church, now living in Venango, Pennsylvania; Mary A., wife of Joseph Baker. Children of Joseph and Mary A. (Burkheimer) Baker: An infant, died unnamed; Mary Margaret, died in infancy; Thomas Vernor, died in infancy; Elizabeth, died in infancy; Susanna Frances, living at home; Daniel B., died aged four years; Nellie J., married William Baker and died July 9, 1900.

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The Kyle family, of Reedsville, Pennsylvania, herein recorded, descends from John Kyle, who came to Pennsylvania from the town Lorrademore, in the south of Ireland. He located in Lancaster county, there married and about 1775, with wife and child, came on horseback to the Kishacoquillas Valley, locating in what is now Brown township, Mifflin county. He warranted about four hundred acres of land on which he built a cabin at the foot of Back mountain, where he cleared, farmed and lived until his death, dividing his property between his sons, Joseph and Crawford. Both he and his wife were Presbyterians, organizers and charter members of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian Church of Reedsville. His wife was a Miss Crawford, who bore him three children: 1. Margaret, married Hamilton Kyle (not a relative), who died in Sun King Valley, Blair county, Pennsylvania; she died in Brown township, Mifflin county; their only son was killed by a kicking horse, while a young man, but their six daughters all married and have many descendants in Blair county. 2. Crawford, of whom further. 3. Joseph, born 1781, inherited the eastern half of the homestead, became a prosperous farmer and a prominent man in church and state. He served in many township and county offices; was a member of the state legislature and on February 25, 1845,

was commissioned associate judge of Mifflin county. He was an elder of the Presbyterian church and of upright, manly character. He married (first) Mary, daughter of John Brisbin, (second) Jeannette McFarlane, of Armagh township, Mifflin county. Issue by both wives.

(II) Crawford, son of John Kyle, the immigrant, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, in 1774, died in Brown township, March 8, 1842. He inherited the west half of the homestead farm and there lived, labored and died, prosperous and contented. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and a man held in high esteem for his upright, industrious life. He married (first) Mrs. Ann (Taylor) McNitt, (second) Jane (McIlhenny) Black. Children by first wife: Mary, born February 10, 1800; Jane, July 25, 1801; John, April 19, 1803; Joseph, January, 1805, died young; Rhoda, April 22, 1809; Margaret, February 1, 1812; Samuel, August 4, 1814; Joseph, of whom further; James, October 24, 1818; Jean; Rhoda, Samuel and Janie, died in infancy. Child of second wife: Matilda, married James Wilson.

(III) Joseph, son of Crawford Kyle and his first wife, Mrs. Ann (Taylor-McNitt) Kyle, was born in Brown township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, January 12, 1816, died in November, 1879. He was educated in the subscription school of his locality and grew to manhood, his father's farm assistant. After the death of the latter he purchased the interest of the other heirs in the homestead farm and became its sole owner. There he passed his entire life, and bequeathed to his son the farm first owned by his grandfather (1775), and now by the widow of his son, William Barr Kyle. He was a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Presbyterian church. He married, April 17, 1843, Elizabeth, daughter of William and Jane (Davis) Barr. Children: 1. Crawford, born March 13, 1844, died August 12, 1845. 2. William Barr, of whom further. 3. Allen Taylor, born August 26, 1848, died 1889; married Elizabeth Reed Mitchell, who survives him, residing on the old Mitchell farm in Brown township. 4. Jennie Elizabeth, married Rev. John C. Oliver, formerly of Spruce Creek, Center county, now of Irwin, Pennsylvania.

(IV) William Barr, son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Barr) Kyle, was born on the Brown township homestead, July 14, 1846, died in Reedsville, Pennsylvania, October 31, 1909. He was educated in the public school, Kishacoquillas Academy, which he entered when he was fifteen

years of age, and Tuscarora Academy, at Academia, Pennsylvania. He grew to manhood at the homestead, which was his home until his marriage, after which he worked the old Norris farm, which his father had purchased. Six years later he moved to the Kyle homestead, which he purchased after the death of his brother Allen T., and there resided until 1903, when he moved to Reedsville and lived a retired life until his death in 1909. He was the fourth generation to own and cultivate the homestead farm and under his skillful management it was made a very productive property. He was deeply interested in his calling and used all modern aids to success. He was an active member of the local grange, Patrons of Husbandry; a faithful member of the Presbyterian church from 1896 until his death, and was an elder for fourteen years. He was a Democrat in politics, and a willing worker in any enterprise for the betterment of his community. He married, December 19, 1876, Mary Taylor, born November 13, 1845, in the Kishacoquillas Valley, daughter of John and Rhoda (Taylor) Henry. Children: 1. A son, died unnamed. 2. Rhoda Taylor, born January 18, 1883; educated at Wilson College, and resides with her mother in Reedsville. 3. Joseph Reed, born April 21, 1885, died August 23, 1902; educated at Reedsville high school.

Mrs. Mary T. (Henry) Kyle is a granddaughter of William and Nancy (Beatty) Henry, both born in Londonderry, Ireland, coming to America in 1770 in the same ship, but unmarried. Three brothers of William Henry came with him, this family being related to the Patrick Henry family of Virginia. One brother settled in the west, one in the south, William and another brother locating in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. There William married, and about 1790 moved to Mifflin county, where he bought a tract of land in Brown township. He cleared and improved his farm and there resided until his death in 1822, leaving a widow and family. He was an elder of the Presbyterian church and a man of excellent character. Children: James, died aged twenty years; John, see forward; William, a soldier of the war of 1812, died in Brown township, leaving a son William; Rebecca, married Abner Reed (see McNitt-Reed family sketch); Margaret, married Rev. James Sterrett; Lily, married James McFarlane; Francis, never married.

John, son of William and Nancy (Beatty) Henry, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, November 17, 1783, and was a boy of

about seven years when his parents came to Mifflin county, where he grew to manhood and, April 29, 1824, married Rhoda Taylor, born in Union township, Mifflin county, November 16, 1804. They settled on a nearby farm in Brown township, which he purchased, containing about one hundred and seventy-five acres, where they resided continuously until death. Both were members of the Presbyterian church; he was an influential Democrat and associate judge of Mifflin county. He died November 17, 1867, she died April 23, 1868. They had thirteen children: 1. James Beatty, died in Reedsville, leaving a son, John Thompson, now living in Birmingham, Alabama. 2. Samuel Williamson, died in San Francisco, in June, 1912. 3. William, died in infancy. 4. John, deceased; married Rebecca L. Garver and left a daughter, now Mrs. Lee Homer McNitt. 5. Francis, died July 1, 1889. 6. William, died in South America in 1869. 7. Davis, now residing in Reedsville. 8. Robert P., died in Brown township, February 19, 1863. 9. Elizabeth Davis, died in 1883; married General John P. Taylor. 10. Joseph, died at the home farm in 1872. 11. Nancy Jane, married John R. Garver, and lives at Kishacoquillas, Pennsylvania. 12. Mary Taylor, married William Barr Kyle, whom she survives a resident of Reedsville (see Kyle IV). 13. Rhoda Garver, married William H. Taylor and resided near Reedsville until her death, in 1911.

Rhoda (Taylor) Henry, wife of John Henry, was a descendant of Robert Taylor, who was the original owner of a tract of about three thousand acres. His son, Henry Taylor, married Rhoda Williamson, of the Cumberland Valley, Pennsylvania, and had children: Robert; Samuel W., see forward; Matthew, Henry, Joseph, David, Mary, Ann, Jane and Rhoda.

Samuel W. Taylor was born November 6, 1778. He learned the trade of fuller and until his marriage worked in his father's mills, commonly known as Taylor's Woolen Mills. After marriage he began farming, an occupation he followed all his after active years. He died aged eighty-four years. He married, about 1802, Elizabeth, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Foster) Davis; she died at the age of eighty years. Children: 1. Rhoda, born November 16, 1804 (of previous mention), married John Henry. 2. Catherine, born October 10, 1806, married Francis McClure. 3. Henry P., born February 19, 1809. 4. John D., born November 17, 1811. 5. Samuel W. (2), February 25,



1816. 6. James I., June 19, 1818. 7. Robert M. 8. Elizabeth Jane, married Matthew Taylor.

Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Mary T. (Henry) Kyle has continued her residence at Reedsville, where she is attended by her only child, Miss Rhoda Taylor Kyle. Both are members of the Presbyterian church and interested in the church and social life of their town.

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The Freed family was founded in America by Paul Freed, FREED born in Bavaria, Germany, emigrated to this country in 1752, settling in Bucks county, Pennsylvania. He became a large landowner and left a posterity of hardy, self-reliant men, who are yet found in Richland and Milford townships, besides those who have gone out into other parts of the state and nation.

(II) Jacob, son of Paul Freed, became a landowner and prosperous farmer of Bucks county, married and left male issue.

(III) Abraham, son of Jacob Freed, was a native of Bucks county, later settling in Freeburg, Snyder county, where he partly cleared a farm, on which he resided until his death. He and all his brothers were members of the Mennonite church, that having been the family religion from the first generation. He married and reared a family of six children, two sons and four daughters, the latter intermarrying with the Delp, Motz, Miser and Schnee families. Abraham, the second son, lived and died on the old Snyder county homestead.

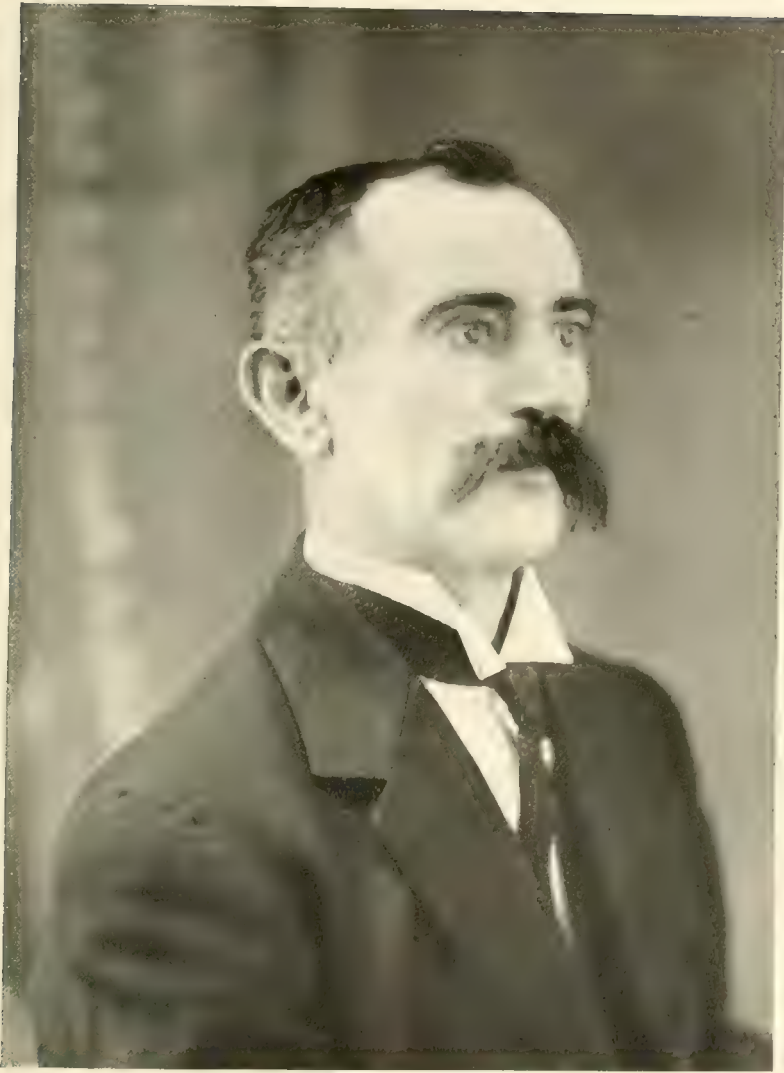
(IV) Jacob, eldest son of Abraham Freed, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, March 10, 1811, died July 30, 1895. He grew to manhood at the homestead farm, married in 1837, then moved to Beavertown, Pennsylvania, where he established a tannery, continuing in successful business for many years. Finally he retired, and until his death, was out of all active business. He was also a landowner, and a stockholder in Selinsgrove National Bank. He was a Whig, later a Republican, holding several township offices. Both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church, he having abandoned the Mennonite faith of his fathers. He married, in 1837, Susan Ritzman, born September 22, 1822, in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, died February 25, 1893, daughter of John and Catherine Ritzman, early settlers at Cramer, Snyder county. John Ritzman was a miller, owning his own mill property, also a large farm on which he resided until his death. He had six

children, all except Susan and Henry moved to Ohio, where they died. Children of Jacob and Susan (Ritzman) Freed: Amelia, born December 8, 1839, married Joseph Dreese and resides in Dayton, Ohio; Henry, born March 1, 1843, died about 1889; Edward, born March 1, 1844, now living retired at Beavertown, Pennsylvania; Mary, born January 1, 1847, married Alfred Smith and resides in Beavertown; Jacob, born March 11, 1849, resides at Beavertown; Nathan, born October 1, 1851, resides at Burnham, Pennsylvania; Susan, born October 28, 1853, married Robert Feese, whom she survives, a resident of Beavertown; John, born September 12, 1859, resides in Williamsport, Pennsylvania; S. Lincoln, born February 7, 1861, died 1912; William Ritzman, of whom further; two other children died in infancy.

(V) William Ritzman, twelfth child of Jacob and Susan (Ritzman) Freed, was born in Beavertown, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, April 25, 1863. He was educated in the public school and grew to manhood at the home farm. At age of twenty years he entered mercantile life as clerk in a general store continuing eight years. He thoroughly mastered the details of merchandising and, about 1891, located in Siglerville, where he bought out a general store, and successfully conducted business for six years. He then sold out and purchased a farm of one hundred and fifty acres in Mifflin county, which he cultivated for five years. He then located in Lewistown, where he established a general mercantile business at the corner of Pine and Shaw streets, where he has a good store building, well stocked. He is a Republican in politics and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. He belongs to the Patriotic Order Sons of America and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Milroy.

He married, May 10, 1892, Ellie B. Ingram, born in Mifflin county, daughter of Augustus M. and Elizabeth (Sigler) Ingram, and granddaughter of James and Martha (Cottle) Ingram. Elizabeth Sigler was a daughter of George (3) and Sarah (Townsend) Sigler, and a granddaughter of George (2) Sigler, born in New Jersey, February 17, 1762, came to Pennsylvania with his father, also George Sigler, and when a boy was captured by the Indians, carried to Canada and held in captivity for over a year. He finally returned to his home, married and built the "stone house" in which his son George lived, a prosperous farmer.

A complete account of the capture and captivity of George Sigler



*H. R. Freed.*





(2) will be found in this work. Mr. and Mrs. Freed have no children.

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The McKinleys of Ireland descend from Mac Duff, McKINLEY Thane of Fife, Scotland, whose killing of Macbeth, December 5, 1056, formed a theme for Shakespeare's pen, his "Macbeth" containing the oft quoted lines:

"Lay on Macduff,  
"And damn'd be he that first cries, 'Hold, enough'!"

Through twenty-one generations in Scotland the descent traces to Findlay, killed at the battle of Pinkie, 1547, while bearing the royal banner of Scotland. He had four sons, who took the name of MacInla. In the twenty-sixth generation "James the Trooper" settled in Ireland (1690) and was the ancestor of most of the Irish McKinleys. His son, David McKinley, "the weaver", born about 1705, came to America, settling in Chanceford township, York county, Pennsylvania, prior to 1745. From him sprang the McKinleys of York county and the Juniata Valley, and William McKinley, twenty-fifth president of the United States. From York this branch settled in Juniata county, where the grandparents of George W. McKinley, of Burnham, lived and died.

(II) Alexander McKinley, was born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, where he married Mary Meloy, also born in Juniata county. He was reared a farmer and always followed that occupation. He was a Republican in politics and a man of excellent reputation. Children: William, deceased; James, deceased; Mary, died in infancy; John, died in infancy; George W., of whom further; Lucinda, deceased; Lemuel and Samuel B.

(III) George W., son of Alexander and Mary (Meloy) McKinley, was born in Tuscarora township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, July 22, 1833. He was educated in the public school, and early in life began learning the carpenter's trade, and later added to his activities a knowledge of the plasterer's trade. In connection with his trades he followed farming, and on March 17, 1886, settled on a farm at McVeytown, where he remained four years. He then settled in Newtown, where for twelve years he was in the employ of the Standard Steel Works Company. He is now living retired in Newtown, a well respected citizen. He

is a Republican in politics and for five years served as assessor of Derry township. In religious faith he is a Methodist.

He married, in 1856, Mary E. Logan, born in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, near Dry Run, June 22, 1844, daughter of John Logan, an early settler of Franklin county. Children: Samuel, Lottie, Harry, Wilson, Nettie and John, died in infancy.

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One of the substantial, honorable families of Pennsylvania is that of the Prettyleaf, to which belongs John Calvin Prettyleaf, of Lewistown, Mifflin county. The original immigrant of the family came direct from Germany, landing in New York and later going into Pennsylvania.

(I) Jacob Prettyleaf, the immigrant, came from Germany, year unknown, with the hope of bettering his fortunes in a new and republican country. He settled in Derry township and there worked as a day laborer, knowing little English and willing to do whatsoever came to his hand. He married Rebecca Parcle, a native of Pennsylvania, and they were the parents of six children, one of whom was William, of whom further. Jacob Prettyleaf prospered in his new home and surroundings and at his death left quite a good estate. He was a Lutheran, and he and his wife are interred in the Lutheran cemetery at Lewistown.

(II) William, son of Jacob and Rebecca (Parcle) Prettyleaf, was born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, in 1829, and grew up there. He began farming immediately on leaving school. Later he purchased thirty acres of land just without the borough limits, it having since been incorporated, and there he lived and died in 1900. He was a Republican and held minor local offices under the party. He and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. He married Elizabeth Forsythe, born in Pennsylvania in 1833, died in 1902, daughter of Matthew and Margaret (Kane) Forsythe; Mr. Forsythe was born in Ireland and came to America when quite young; his wife was a native of Pennsylvania, descending from an old and long-established family of Pennsylvania; he settled first in Decatur township and later came to Mifflin; they were the parents of seven children. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Prettyleaf: 1. John Calvin, of whom further. 2. William, was killed in a railroad accident in 1898. 3. Sarah, married J. P. Bradford, of Ferguson Valley.

4. Martha, married James Dunn. 5. Mollie, married Joseph Lighter, living on Valley street, Lewistown. 6. Annie, married Rush Russler.

(III) John Calvin, son of William and Elizabeth (Forsythe) Prettyleaf, was born in Derry township, May 18, 1853. He received his preparatory education in the Lewistown public school, then attended the Lewistown Academy, finishing at the local Normal. Leaving school he engaged in teaching and continued at that vocation for twenty-two years, during which time he built up a notable reputation for himself as an educator. In 1900 he gave up pedagogy and opened a grocery store and a coal yard in Lewistown, since which time he has devoted himself to these enterprises. He has over \$10,000 invested in the business and employs seven clerks, and the business is growing by leaps and bounds. He owns one hundred and seventy desirable acres within the borough limit, which is also increasing in value with each year. He is a Republican, but has never held or asked for office. He has been a member of the Knights of Pythias for thirty years, ranking high in its councils. He is a member of the Lutheran church. He married, in 1878, Martha Martz, daughter of Amos and Sarah (Ort) Martz. Children: 1. Maurice E., of whom further. 2. John Calvin Jr., married Harriet Bogenreif, of Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania; one child, Jean. 3. Grace, married Harry Goss; two children: Mabel and Nerr Bryson. 4. Sarah, married Charles R. Hoffmann.

(IV) Maurice E., son of John Calvin and Martha (Martz) Prettyleaf, was born November 7, 1878. He was educated in the Lewistown public, high school and academy. For eleven years he and his brother, John Calvin Jr., assisted their father in the mercantile business, Maurice E. being manager. In 1911 Maurice E. bought a store on South Main street, No. 102, where he is now doing a remarkably good business. He is a Republican in politics, and attends the Lutheran church. He married, June 10, 1901, Laura J. Paul, of Lewistown, daughter of William Paul, of Lewistown. They have two children: Maurice Elbert and Francis Paul.

Jacob Martz, grandfather of Martha (Martz) Prettyleaf, came from Germany and located in Pennsylvania where there were many of his countrymen. He was the father of several children, among them being Amos. Amos Martz, son of Jacob Martz, was born in 1818, in Juniata county, Pennsylvania. He married Sarah Ort, who was also of German

descent. Amos was a carriage maker, and later moved to Lewistown where he established himself in that business in the fifties, conducting it until his death in 1881. His wife, Sarah, died in 1906. He was a Democrat, and they were both members of the Lutheran church. Children: Alonzo, Eliphas, Cloyd, Robert; Joseph, deceased; James; Martha, married John Calvin Prettyleaf, in 1878.

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C. S. Brindel, general merchant, established in Burnham, Pennsylvania, in 1909, descends from Abraham Brindel, born in Germany. He settled first in Berks county, Pennsylvania, about the year 1800, later moved to Lancaster county, subsequently returned to Berks county where he died at an advanced age near Adamstown. Children: John, of whom further; Daniel, Isaac, Elizabeth, and two other daughters.

(II) John, son of Abraham Brindel, grew to manhood in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, receiving the limited schooling allotted the farmer boy of that day. He worked on his father's farm until his marriage, then moved to Mifflin county, locating in what is now Union township. About 1825 he bought a tract of wild land, built a log house and shop and began working at his trade of cooper. Later he moved to Belleville, where he purchased land adjacent to the present hotel, erected a house and shop and there successfully followed his trade until his retirement a few years prior to his death. He was a Democrat in politics, held several township offices, maintained an active interest in public affairs and was a highly esteemed citizen. He was a faithful member and an official of the Lutheran church at Mechanicsville, a church he was largely instrumental in organizing. He died in 1882, aged about eighty years. He married Mary Umbarger, born in 1801, died 1885, daughter of John Umbarger. Children: 1. Cynthia, accidentally drowned aged three years. 2. Catherine, died in infancy. 3. Benjamin, married Nancy Mateer, and died August 24, 1896, leaving four children. 4. Richard, born July 17, 1829; married Catherine Taylor; eleven children. 5. Josiah, married Sarah Hafford; five children. 6. John W., of whom further. 7. Mary Elizabeth, married R. E. Wills.

(III) John W., son of John and Mary (Umbarger) Brindel, was born in Union township, Union county, Pennsylvania, in 1834, now residing in Granville, Pennsylvania. He spent all of his active life in



agricultural pursuits and now lives retired. He married Nancy Rittenhouse, who died in 1907. Children: 1. Elwood, now a broker in New York City. 2. Mary, died 1908; married George Kimberly, of McVeytown, Pennsylvania. 3. Charles S., of whom further. 4. Jennie, married Adam Kauffman; resides in Granville, Pennsylvania. 5. George, resides at Lewistown Junction. 6. Harry, resides at Alexander, Pennsylvania. 7. William, resides in Granville. 8. John, resides in Altoona. 9. Robert, of Tiffin, Ohio. 10. Warren, of Granville, Pennsylvania.

(IV) Charles S., son of John W. and Nancy (Rittenhouse) Brindel, was born in Mifflin, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, November 1, 1861. He was educated in the public schools, and followed farming nine years in early life, then five years as a steel worker. He then learned the milling business, locating at Maitland, Pennsylvania, continuing successfully until 1909, when he located in Burnham, Pennsylvania, where he established the mercantile business of C. S. Brindel. He owns the building which he occupies and is well established in a profitable business, handling the usual stock of a general country store. Mr. Brindel is a capable, energetic, honorable business man, and has in his son an efficient clerk. He is a Democrat in politics and in Maitland served as supervisor. He is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church and interested in all good works. He married Mae Howenstein, born in Newport, Pennsylvania, in 1867, daughter of William and Lucy Howenstein, both deceased.

(V) William A. H., only child of Charles S. and Mae (Howenstein) Brindel, was born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, near Lewistown, September 25, 1889. He was educated in the public school of Maitland, Pittsburgh high school and Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport. In 1909 he entered the employ of his father, C. S. Brindel, at Burnham, Pennsylvania, and is so connected at this date (1913). He is a young man of sterling business qualities and takes a deep interest in all that pertains to the welfare of his town. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church; Lewistown Lodge, No. 187, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Kappa Delta Phi (Dickinson). He is a Democrat in politics.

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CROZIER      The Croziers are of Scotch-Irish descent, their ancestors early settlers in Juniata county, where Armstrong Crozier was born. He grew to manhood on the farm,

learned the mason's trade and was the owner of one hundred and eighty-seven acres of improved land in Beale township. He was also a prosperous farmer. He was influential in his community, a Democrat in politics and held the office of supervisor. Both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church. He married, at Lost Creek, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, Sarah, daughter of Richard Bell, of Fermanagh township. She died at Johnstown, Beale township, Juniata county, surviving her husband, who died there on January 28, 1847. Children: Melinda, died in childhood; Elizabeth, married William Olds; Benjamin F., of whom further; James H., moved west; Mary C., married D. B. McWilliams.

(II) Benjamin F., son of Armstrong and Sarah (Bell) Crozier, was born in Beale township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, August 25, 1834, died October 13, 1904, at Walnut, Pennsylvania. He worked at the home farm and attended public school until his father's death, when he was thirteen years of age. He then was compelled to leave school and, as the eldest son, take, as far as possible, the management of the farm. He continued at home until 1860, when he bought of Calvin Stewart a farm of fifteen acres in Beale township. He improved his purchase, but sold the following year and returned to the old homestead, continuing until 1864, when he moved to Johnstown in the same township. In the fall of the year he enlisted at Harrisburg in Company E, Ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry. He served under General Sherman and was with him in the famous march from "Atlanta to the Sea". He escaped all injury and was only confined in the hospital once and that for only a few days. He was honorably discharged at the close of the war. He then returned to Beale township and, purchasing the Jacob Doughman farm, resumed agricultural operations. He sold his farm a few years later and located in the village of Walnut, Juniata county, learned the saddler's trade and established there a harness and hardware making business that he successfully conducted until his retirement. In 1890 he was elected justice of the peace and held that office until his death. He was a conscientious, fair-minded justice, few appeals ever being taken from his decisions and none were ever reversed. After the appointment of his son as postmaster at Walnut, Mr. Crozier acted as deputy postmaster. He was well known and highly respected wherever known and was held in universal respect and honor. He was

a devoted member of the Presbyterian church, taught a class in the Sunday school (Sunday school superintendent undenominational) a line of Christian work that always interested him. He was an ardent Democrat, taking active part in town affairs. He was a faithful son, a good soldier, an honest official and an upright citizen.

He married, in Beale township, March 16, 1858, Mary A., daughter of Daniel and Catherine Fry, one of a family of nine children. She was born in Millerstown, Perry county, Pennsylvania, April 9, 1829, died October 5, 1894. She was a devoted member of the Lutheran church and beloved by all for her piety and benevolence. Children: Nevin P., moved west; Mowry L., deceased, of Port Royal, Pennsylvania; Benjamin F., of whom further.

(III) Benjamin F. (2), son of Benjamin F. (1) and Mary A. (Fry) Crozier, was born in Beale township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, September 16, 1866. He obtained a good education in the public schools and at Tuscarora Academy. He taught school for sometime; was then a clerk, later a traveling salesman, continuing "on the road" three years. He resided in Walnut, and during President Cleveland's second administration was appointed postmaster of that village, his father acting as deputy. In 1900 he entered the employ of the Standard Steel Works Company as timekeeper, and in 1911 established a mercantile business at Burnham, which is managed by his son. Mr. Crozier is a man of ability and in every position in which he has been placed has acquitted himself with credit. He is a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 187, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Lewistown Eyrie, Fraternal Order of Eagles; Lewistown Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose; and Lewistown Lodge of Owls. In political faith he is a Democrat. His residence is on Fifth avenue, Burnham, which he owns, and he has now under construction a large store building to accommodate his growing mercantile business.

He married, in 1892, Clara D. Showalter, born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, in 1861, daughter of Jacob and Sarah Showalter, the former dying in Berks county, the latter in Burnham in 1904. The only child of Benjamin F. and Clara D. Crozier is: Eldred G., born May 18, 1893; educated in the public schools, graduate of Burnham high school, class of 1910, now (1913) manager of the mercantile business established by his father in 1911.

The Mitchell family of Pennsylvania, of which Elder MITCHELL C. Mitchell, of Derry township, Mifflin county, is a member, has long been prominent in that section of the state, and is accounted one of the most solid and honorable in Pennsylvania.

The first member of the family to come from England was probably Robert Mitchell, who landed in Massachusetts about 1664, from one of the small and infrequent sailing vessels that touched the shores of the New World. He married the daughter of a neighbor, Daniel Elliott, and by her had a large family. His sons and his sons' sons wandered to different provinces, one of them at least eventually making his home in Pennsylvania. That they did their patriotic duty by their country during the revolutionary war is proven by the roster of the various companies furnished by the colonies. Several Mitchells were among the soldiers of the Sixtieth Royal Americans who fought General Montcalm, his French soldiers and Indian allies near the lakes. Also the lists of the civil war veterans show that the Mitchell family was well represented, both north and south, throughout the entire time of the historic struggle.

(I) William Mitchell was one of the early pioneers in Mifflin county, settling east of Milroy or Perrysville. He was a farmer and a landed proprietor, a man of great importance in that section of the state. He was known far and wide for his abundant hospitality. Among his numerous children was Samuel, of whom further.

(II) Samuel, son of William Mitchell, was born on his father's farm in Mifflin county, near Milroy. He was, like his father, a farmer, and was an extensive land owner. He was for years prominent in the social, religious and political life of his section. He married Margaret (Carnahan) Hosey, a daughter of an old family long established in Westmoreland county. She was the widow of Daniel Hosey, and settled in Mifflin county with him after their marriage. After her marriage with Samuel Mitchell they located in Derry township on a farm, and here their children were born. They lived quiet, retired, useful lives, were good neighbors and friends, always generously extending a helping hand to those less fortunate than themselves. They were devout members of the Presbyterian church. Children. 1. Rosanna, born July 10, 1812; married William Sigler; moved to Ohio and there died. 2. William,



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*John A. Mitchell*

born April 2, 1814, died aged eighteen. 3. Mary, born July 18, 1816; married Robert Stewart; both died in Derry township. 4. Samuel, of whom further. 5. John McDowell, born September 21, 1821, died August 2, 1889, in Derry township; married Martha Sharp McNitt, of Siglerville, who still survives him; he was one of the substantial men of the township, highly respected and greatly esteemed.

(III) Samuel (2), son of Samuel (1) and Margaret (Carnahan-Hosey) Mitchell, was born November 2, 1818, on the old homestead in Derry township, died January 14, 1899. He married Margaret G. McNitt, born July 19, 1828, a member of an old and important family of that part of the state. She died June 26, 1911. After marriage they lived on the Mitchell homestead in Derry township. His father dying, he and his brother, John McDowell, purchased the interests of the heirs, modernized the buildings, erected others and brought the land under a high state of cultivation. They were members of the Presbyterian church, liberally supporting it, he being treasurer of the same. He was a Democrat in politics and served as poor director for three years, school director nine years, and supervisor. Children: 1. Nancy, married J. S. McNitt; lives near Milroy. 2. Mary, married (first) Adam Koons, of Newville, Pennsylvania; (second) A. Brown Cummins; lives in Lewistown (1913). 3. Elder C., of whom further. 4. John Brown, lives at 19 East Third street, Lewistown; is a farmer by occupation; he married Rachel Sterrett. 5. Martha Ellen, who died at the age of nine months.

(IV) Elder C., son of Samuel (2) and Margaret G. (McNitt) Mitchell, was born on an adjoining farm to his present residence in Derry township, June 29, 1853. He was given all the educational advantages afforded by the public schools of the township and Airy View Academy, and was reared on the homestead. On leaving school he began farming, and came to his present home, the one adjoining his father's, to be with an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John McDowell Mitchell. At the death of his uncle he inherited, co-jointly with his aunt, the farm. His aunt is still living with her husband's nephew, and is one of the brightest of women for her advanced years. She takes a vivid interest in things outside her home life and is still active in social and religious matters. Mr. Mitchell does general farming and stock breeding. He organized and is president of the Dry Valley Tele-

phone Company, and is also trustee and treasurer of the Little Valley Presbyterian Church.

He married, April 23, 1896, Frances Anna Cummins, born January 15, 1858, at McAlleys Fort, the fourth daughter of Sterrett and Agnes (McNitt) Cummins, of an old and distinguished family, whose lineage runs back to colonial days. One son has been born to Elder C. and Frances Anna (Cummins) Mitchell, Samuel Cummins, born May 29, 1897.

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Early in the colonial days three brothers by the name of STEWART came from Scotland and settled in America, William, James and John. One at least of these brothers settled in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, and had a son William, born in Cumberland county, who settled in the Tuscarora valley. He took up land on Tuscarora creek, at which place he met a tragic death, having been killed by the Indians while searching for his horses that had strayed. From him came Joseph Stewart, of the third generation, one of the sturdy pioneers of his day, an energetic, progressive man. He was a farmer of the Big Valley, returning late in life and settling at Burnham, in Derry township. He married Sarah Creswell, and both are buried in the Methodist cemetery at Vira, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Robert, born in the Kishacoquillas valley, October 31, 1818, died October 28, 1856; married Mary Mitchell. 2. Thomas Miller, of whom further. 3. Jane, twin of Thomas M., married Peter Webner. 4. Rebecca, married James Riden. 5. Mary, married Peter Albright and moved to Red Cloud, Nebraska. 6. Elijah, married Anna Belle Van Arden and moved to Red Cloud, where he died. 7. Sarah, married Isaac Price. 8. Ann, married John McGee. 9. Samuel, married Mary Albright, and lived in Yeagertown.

(IV) Thomas Miller, son of Joseph and Sarah (Creswell) Stewart, was born in the Kishacoquillas valley, near Reedsville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, August 1, 1821, and died in Burnham, Pennsylvania, in 1908. He grew to manhood on the home farm, attended the public school and early in life began work at the iron furnaces in Mifflin and Center counties. Later he moved to Blair county, Pennsylvania, where he worked at the Bald Eagle Furnaces until 1868, then returned to Mifflin county, where he spent the balance of his life. He was a Repub-



lican in politics and both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Ann Taylor, born in Center county, Pennsylvania, near Stormstown, May 27, 1827, died at Burnham, June 7, 1905. She was the daughter of Nathan Taylor, an early settler of Cumberland county, who died in Center county, Pennsylvania. Children of Thomas Miller Stewart: 1. Nathan, of whom further. 2. Joseph, born October 18, 1850. 3. Samuel, January 28, 1852. 4. Sarah, November 9, 1854. 5. Robert, December 1, 1856. 6. Thomas J., November 14, 1859. 7. Mary E., October 18, 1861. 8. William T., November 3, 1863. 9. Lemuel, December 14, 1865, died in infancy. 10. Henry, June 21, 1867, deceased. 11. Emma A., January 27, 1870. 12. Charles F., November 11, 1879.

(V) Nathan, eldest of the twelve children of Thomas Miller and Ann (Taylor) Stewart, was born at Bald Eagle Furnaces, Blair county, Pennsylvania, August 5, 1848. He attended the public schools and lived in Blair county until 1868, when the family returned to Mifflin county. He worked at the iron furnaces in Blair county and on January 1, 1872, entered the employ of the Standard Steel Company at Burnham, where he is yet in active service. He thoroughly understands his part in the manufacture of iron and steel and is a most reliable workman. He built his present residence at No. 107 Newton street in 1881, and is now serving his fourth successive term as justice of the peace. He joined Lewistown Lodge, No. 97, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in 1872, and in 1871 was made a member of the Juniata Lodge, No. 270, Knights of Pythias, holding membership in both lodges at the present date (1913). He is a Republican in politics and is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He has taken active part in the affairs of his town since becoming a taxpayer and is held in highest respect by his townsmen.

He married, October 26, 1871, Elizabeth Starr, born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, at Spring Grove Forge, April 3, 1851, daughter of James Winfield and Lydia (Glass) Starr, born in Lancaster county, came to Newtown, Pennsylvania, during the war, where both died. He was a farmer, a Democrat, and both were members of the Lutheran church. Their children: Elizabeth, of previous mention; Susan, Ellen, John Winfield; George W., deceased; James Buchanan; Thomas J., deceased; Mary E., deceased; and two who died in infancy. Children of

Nathan and Elizabeth (Starr) Stewart: 1. Agnes, deceased. 2. James Thomas, married Jennie Wilson; no issue. 3. Nathan Winfield, married Minnie Nearhoo; children: Frank G., Ernest R., James R., Kenneth W., Elizabeth and an infant, deceased. 4. Beulah, married Owen Swisher; children: Nathan Stewart, Ione Grace. 5. Nellie Dawn. 6. Susan Starr.

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This family came to Burnham, Pennsylvania, in 1862, from STARR Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, where James W. Starr was born February 26, 1824. He was a farmer all his life and for thirty-four years lived in Mifflin county. He died in Burnham, September 8, 1896. His wife, Lydia Glass, born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, April 11, 1829, died in Burnham December 11, 1895. Children: Elizabeth, Susan, Ellen, John W., George W., deceased; James B., of whom further; Thomas J., deceased; Mary E., deceased; and two died in infancy. Both parents were members of the Lutheran church and he was a Democrat in politics.

James B., son of James W. and Lydia (Glass) Starr, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, at Spring Grove, August 24, 1861. One year later his parents moved to Burnham, Mifflin county; his early life was spent on the Derry township farm, and his education obtained in the public school. He entered the employ of the Standard Steel Works at the age of seventeen years and for thirty-four years has been a workman in the hammer shop for that corporation, a record of faithful, continuous service hard to duplicate. In politics he is a Democrat and in religious faith a Lutheran.

He married, January 22, 1882, Margaret Shannon, born in Tyrone, Pennsylvania, September 20, 1868, died in Burnham, October 4, 1903. Children: 1. Harry Walter, born October 19, 1886; married Mollie Shirey; no children. 2. Myra Lorinda, born December 1, 1888, died May 27, 1890. 3. Hazel May, born June 11, 1891; married Lloyd W. Kell; one child, James J. 4. Alfred Clair, October 3, 1894. 5. Irma Elizabeth, March 13, 1897.

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Two brothers, John and Christian Fretz, with a third FRETZ brother (name unknown and who died on the voyage) emigrated from near the city of Manheim, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, Germany, formerly known as the Palatinate or Rhenish Prus-

sia. They were of German origin, spoke and wrote the German language, and were connected with a distinctly German church, the Mennonite. They probably came between the years 1710 and 1720, although the exact date is not known. Christian Fretz settled at what is now known as Heaney's run in Tinicum township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, but where John settled first is not known. He is first found definitely located in Plumstead, now Bedminster township, Bucks county, on what is yet known as the old Fretz homestead, situated about one mile northeast of Bedminsterville and yet owned in the Fretz name. This homestead, originally containing two hundred and thirty acres, was bought by John Fretz in 1737 or 1738, and cost him one hundred and six pounds. It was improved, but on all sides surrounded by wild timber land. Here John Fretz lived and plied his trade, weaving, in connection with farming. He was known as "Weaver" John, and little is known of him further than stated and the additional facts following. He was one of the committee in 1741 to form the new township of Bedminster, setting it off from Plumstead. He was a Mennonite and worshipped at the old log church at Deep Run, Bucks county, which stood for a full century. He died in 1772, his will, dated January 29 of that year, was probated March 3, following. He divided his property between his wife and children, stipulating, however, that his son Christian should have the homestead and pay therefor eight hundred pounds, which indicates that either property had greatly advanced in value, or that large additions had been made to its area, one hundred and six pounds being the purchase price in 1737. "Weaver" John was twice married, but his wives' surnames have not been preserved. His first wife, Barbara, bore him five children; his second wife, Maria, bore him three. If there were other children, they died young. Children in order of birth: John, Jacob, Christian, Abraham, Elizabeth, Mark, Henry, of whom further; Barbara.

(II) Henry, son of "Weaver" John Fretz and his second wife Maria Fretz, was born in Bedminster, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, November 11, 1755, and died there May 30, 1831. He lived on a farm in Bedminster township, three miles west of Bedminsterville, later owned by his son-in-law, Joseph Wister. He was a shoemaker and followed his trade in connection with farming. He was widely known as "Shoemaker" Henry and it is said that his funeral was so largely attended

that several calves were killed and prepared for the funeral dinner and that over one hundred carriages formed the funeral procession. Both he and his wife were members of the Deep Run Mennonite Church and are buried in the churchyard. He married Barbara Oberholtzer, born October 10, 1757, died August 10, 1834. Children: 1. Mary, died April 10, 1827, the second wife of William Godshalk. 2. Jacob, died in Ohio without issue. 3. John, of whom further. 4. Mark, married a Miss Wisner and left issue. 5. Esther, born October 19, 1790, died March 28, 1865; married Christian Gayman and left issue. 6. Henry, married Susan Godshalk. 7. Jonas, married Elizabeth Alderfer and left issue. 8. Abraham, born May 19, 1793, died April 23, 1875; married Susanna Bergy; he was a regularly ordained minister of the Mennonite church and from 1743 until 1775 faithfully served that church. 10. David, born October 12, 1801, died August 5, 1869; married Mary Engleman; no male issue.

(III) John, son of "Shoemaker" Henry and Barbara (Oberholtzer) Fretz, was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, January 5, 1784, died February 25, 1843. He was a farmer and drover and lived on a farm on the Durham road, about one mile north of Gardenville. It is the "Old homestead" of this branch, and for over a century has been in the Fretz family. He and his family were members of the Mennonite church and faithful to their obligations. He married, August 16, 1808, Susana Haldeman, born February 2, 1783, died April 14, 1875, aged ninety years two months and twelve days. Children: 1. Tobias, born July 4, 1809, married Elizabeth Overholt and left two sons. 2. Henry, born August 10, 1810, married Mary Fretz and left five sons. 3. Mary. 4. Jonas, of whom further. 5. John, born November 27, 1817, married Sarah Leatherman and had six sons. 6. Elias, born June 1, 1820, died April 1, 1882; married (first) Catherine Gotwalls, married (second) Elizabeth Leatherman and left three sons by second wife. 7. Sarah, born January 4, 1826, married Daniel Gotwalls and left issue. 8. Susan, born August 20, 1828, married Thomas Shelly.

(IV) Jonas, son of John and Susana (Haldeman) Fretz, was born in Bucks county, July 7, 1815. He was a merchant of North Wales and Lumberville, Pennsylvania, for many years and a large land owner. He moved from Lumberville to North Wales, where he lived a retired life. He was a Mennonite in religion and a most capable and shrewd live-



headed business man. He married, September 28, 1841, Mary Ann Stover, who died November 3, 1883, a descendant of an old Bucks county family. Children: Amanda C., born October 9, 1844, married in 1875, J. Fennel Berger, a merchant at North Wales, Pennsylvania; both were members of the Presbyterian church; children: Mary A. and Henry J. 2. Harvey, of whom further. 3. Anna Malinda, born December 8, 1847, died March 16, 1852. 4. Susanna, born March 13, 1855, died March 23, 1855.

(V) Harvey, son of Jonas and Mary Ann (Stover) Fretz, was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, November 18, 1846, died in Lahaska, Bucks county. He was educated, grew to manhood, and married in Bucks county, then moved to Philadelphia, where he was a manufacturer of brooms, brushes, wooden and willow ware. His factory was located on Water street, but later at No. 717 Second street, where he transacted a large and profitable business. In 1902 he retired and returned to his native county where he died. He was a man of splendid business qualities, ranking high in the commercial world. Both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church. He married in 1868, Mary P. Price, who survives him, a resident of Abington, Pennsylvania. She is the daughter of John N. and Christiana (Polk) Price, old residents of Doylestown, Pennsylvania, and both members of the Presbyterian church. Children: Beatty, died in the Union army; Samuel, of Doylestown, a veteran of the civil war; Edwin, of Doylestown, a veteran of the civil war; Sidney, married Joseph Matthews; Mary P., widow of Harvey Fretz. Children of Harvey and Mary P. (Price) Fretz: 1. Christiana, married Harry R. Clinger and died at Milton, Pennsylvania. 2. Jonas Harvey, of whom further. 3. Edgar B., now residing at Abington, Pennsylvania.

(VI) Jonas Harvey, eldest son of Harvey and Mary P. (Price) Fretz, was born at Lumberville, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, April 9, 1871. He was educated in the public schools of Philadelphia, finishing in the high school. He then entered his father's employ and for several years was associated with him in the Philadelphia factory. After the death of his father he took a course at the Philadelphia College of Embalming and then spent three years with Oliver H. Bair in the undertaking business.

In February, 1905, he located in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, as assist-

ant to W. H. Felix, the local undertaker and his father-in-law. After the death of Mr. Felix, Mr. Fretz purchased the business from the estate and has continued it successfully until the present date (1913). His mortuary rooms and funeral equipment are complete and modern in every detail, and Mr. Fretz is thorough master of the embalmer's art. He is a Republican in politics and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Knights of Pythias; Patriotic Order Sons of America, and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

He married in November, 1896, Cartie, daughter of W. H. and Sarah (Robins) Felix, of Lewistown. Child: Sarah Felix.

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Otis H. Snook, of Reedsville, Pennsylvania, is one of the SNOOK live business men of the town. He descends from English stock that was first planted in New Jersey and which, following the trend of the times, drifted into Pennsylvania.

(I) The first of the name in Pennsylvania was John Snook, who came from New Jersey, settled west of Beaver Springs, in Snyder county, and there died. Among his children was Phillip, of whom further.

(II) Phillip Snook, son of John Snook, of New Jersey, was born in New Jersey and reared in that state, and in Snyder county, Pennsylvania. He was a farmer and followed that vocation until his death. He was a Republican in politics, and was a member of the German Reformed church. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Anthony Peters, an early settler in Mifflin county, and they reared a large family. Children: John P., deceased; Jackson, deceased; William; Amos, deceased; Joseph; Lydia, deceased; Sarah; Mary, deceased; Edward, of whom further; Isaac, deceased; Wilson, deceased; Francis, deceased.

(III) Edward, son of Phillip and Elizabeth (Peters) Snook, was born February 22, 1848, in Mifflin county. He was brought up on the farm and educated in New Lancaster, Mifflin county. When eighteen years old he moved to St. Joseph county, Michigan, where he entered school in Colon township. He returned to Mifflin county for a short time, then went again to Michigan, where he worked for Eli Wagner, on his farm, and for Richards & Shearer in their stove plant. He then went to Kent county for a short time, and again returned to Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. Six years after his marriage he moved to St. Joseph

county, Michigan, and located at Colon, where he remained eight years. He returned to Mifflin county at the expiration of that time and farmed with great success until 1905, when he established a meat market and butcher's business in Reedsville, where he has since remained, and where he has accumulated property. In 1871 he married Emma L. Worrell, of Chester county, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Benjamin F. and Catherine Worrell, who came from Chester county to Mifflin county in the sixties and settled at Mt. Rock. Mrs. Snook died January 5, 1912. Children: Orville C., Elizabeth, Mary; Otis H., of whom further; Belle, Effie, Anna, Grace, Frank.

(IV) Otis H., son of Edward and Emma L. (Worrell) Snook, was born August 31, 1876, in Anna township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public schools in the townships of Pennsylvania and Michigan, and in the towns in which his parents lived during his school days. He became associated in 1905 with his father in the meat business in Reedsville, and has succeeded in establishing a remunerative patronage. He married, June 23, 1903, Laura Catherine Fisher, born in Mifflin county, a daughter of the late Herman Fisher, a former well-known citizen of the county. Children: 1. Edward, born March 12, 1904. 2. Otis Reed, born February 23, 1907. 3. Franklin Worrell, born August 29, 1911.

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The first representative of this family in Belleville was Wil-  
UTTS son S. (1) Utts, who came when a young man. He was born in 1822, died 1871. He was a tinner by trade, and in Belleville erected a suitable building and established a hardware store that he successfully conducted until his death. He was a man of enterprise, a good workman and prosecuted his tinning and hardware business with vigor. In political faith he was a Republican, in religion a Presbyterian. He married Margaret Hampson, born in Huntingdon county in 1826, died in Belleville in 1871. Children: Sylvester, deceased; Hampson, deceased; Ella, deceased; Milford; Warner; Nettie, deceased; Thomas, deceased; Ollie; Margaret; Wilson S., of whom further.

(II) Wilson S. (2), youngest child of Wilson S. (1) and Margaret (Hampson) Utts, was born in Belleville, Pennsylvania, April 13, 1867. He attended the public schools and learned the tinner's trade with his brother Hampson, who succeeded their father in business. Hampson

Utts died March 30, 1912, but for eight years prior to his death had retired from business. In 1905 he sold out to Wilson S. Utts, who still conducts a tinning and hardware business in the same store erected by his father. He also succeeded to the ownership of the homestead, and has prospered in all his undertakings. He thoroughly understands the technical detail of his business, is a master workman and a capable, honorable business man. He is a Republican in politics, a member of the Presbyterian church, and of Belleville Lodge, No. 302, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Utts married, April 1, 1892, Olive Finkle, of Belleville, daughter of Samuel and Margaret Finkle.

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Thomas Jefferson White, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, descends from the English family of the same name that for centuries has lived in the south of England. The first of the name to reach the shores of the New World was Andrew, who was among the passengers of the "Planter" in 1674. He located in New Hampshire, and his sons and sons' sons drifted into Pennsylvania.

(I) Joseph White, the first of the name of whom the Pennsylvania branch have any definite record, was a native of Chester county. He married Mary Faddis, also of an old English family. He was a blacksmith by trade, and an inventor. He invented the old iron bar plowshare, and for many years he and his sons manufactured them by hand. At his death his sons continued in the business, though not as a company. He was a staunch Whig, always voting with that party, and died about 1852. Children: George Washington, of whom further; Jefferson, Rebecca, James, Joseph, Isaac, Lewis, Hannah, John, Robert; all of them are dead.

(II) George Washington, son of Joseph and Mary (Faddis) White, was born in Chester county, in 1804, died in 1874, in Pennsylvania. His education was gained in the common schools of Chester county. He engaged with his father in the smithy and assisted him in the manufacturing of plows. He lived near Downingtown, Pennsylvania, very nearly all of his adult life. He was first a Whig, and afterward a Republican.

Like the rest of his family, he was reared a Quaker, while his wife was a member of the Baptist church. He married Esther A. Richardson, daughter of a neighboring farmer. Children: 1. Joseph, deceased. 2.



Julia Ann, wife of James Miller, of Coatesville, Chester county. 3. James, was a civil war veteran. He, with two brothers, were members of the 192d Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and after serving four months he was discharged. James had previously served as first sergeant in the 49th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. 4. Lewis, was also in the civil war. He was in Carlisle when the barracks were burned, and was dispatch carrier. He lives in Parkersburg, Chester county. 5. Isaac was a member of the 192d Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. 6. Thomas Jefferson, of whom further. 7. Rebecca, deceased. 8. Susannah, deceased. 9. Mary E., living in Pennsylvania. 10. Ella, married Frank Bernard, of Chester county.

(III) Thomas Jefferson, son of George W. and Esther A. (Richardson) White, was born September 17, 1848, in Chester county, near Downingtown. He received his education in the common schools, after which, he learned the blacksmith's trade by working in the smithy of his father. He remained here one year, then went to Downingtown, where he stayed a year; from thence moved to Newport, Pennsylvania, and then to Decatur, Illinois, where he remained over two years. He then went back to Newport, Pennsylvania, and purchased the blacksmith shop of his former employer, and ran it for twenty years. In 1898 he moved to Lewistown, and established a coach manufacturing plant in partnership with J. H. Zinn. In 1904 he sold his half interest to Mr. Zinn, and engaged with the Standard Steel Company. He owns three houses on Montgomery avenue, and lives in his own home on Depot street. At the beginning of the civil war he enlisted in the 192d Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served four months. He is a Republican and a member of Colonel Huling Post, No. 176, of the Grand Army of the Republic.

He married, June 29, 1872, Eliza Ann Bair, born November 15, 1847, in Buck's Valley, Perry county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Jacob and Eliza (Baskin) Bair. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Children: 1. Carrie Gertrude, born August 29, 1873, died April 27, 1895; married Paul Rider Hombach. 2. Mary Ella, born March 4, 1875; married Elmer Ulsh. 3., 4. and 5. Fannie L., Annie L. and Laura (triplets), born April 11, 1877, and died in infancy.

Jacob Bair, father of Eliza Ann (Bair) White, was born in Buck's Valley, Perry county, September 29, 1823. He married, August 8, 1844,

Eliza Baskin, born August 10, 1825, also in Perry county. He died in July, 1876, and his wife died in March, 1905. They were among the old and highly respected residents of that section. Children: 1. Sarah Jane. 2. Eliza Ann, wife of Thomas Jefferson White (see White III). 3. Catherine Louisa. 4. Lucy Elizabeth. 5. Margaret Lucinda. 6. Jacob Resler. 7. Samuel Elias. 8. Agnes Minerva. 9. Clara Cecilia. 10. Mary Ellen.

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The earliest record found of this Laub family is of Jacob LAUB Laub, of Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, a soldier of the civil war, who died in the service, then past the age of usual military service. Three of his sons also served in the Union army with their father: George, killed at Antietam; Jacob, who now resides in Shasta county, California; and Henry Harrison, of whom further. Jacob married Elizabeth Dietrich, also born in Lancaster county, daughter of Jacob Dietrich, who in 1844 came by packet on the canal to Thompson's Lock, near Thompsontown, Juniata county, and there settled. The Laubs had also moved from Lancaster county, and near by the great-grandfather of Henry H. Laub, Jacob Dietrich, had a mill. It was also from Juniata county that Jacob Laub enlisted, although he met and married Elizabeth Dietrich in Lancaster county.

(II) Henry Harrison, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Dietrich) Laub, was born in Hinkleton, near New Holland, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, January 10, 1840. He was quite young when his parents moved to Juniata county, where he was educated in the public school and at McAlisterville Academy. He learned the carpenter's trade, and was a successful contractor of Snyder county until about 1885, when he became a fruit farmer of Snyder county. He had been a resident of that county from about 1860, going there with the intention of teaching school, but giving up that profession and enlisting in April, 1862, in Company H, 149th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, serving three years and receiving honorable discharge at the close of the war. At the battle of Antietam he was wounded, but soon recovered and rejoined his regiment. He then returned to Snyder, where he is engaged in fruit farming. He is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Reformed church. He married Louisa Shout, born at Beaver Springs, Snyder county, February 26, 1844, died in December, 1910, daughter of Adam





*A. H. Lamb, Jr.,*



and Sarah (Howell) Shout; Adam Shout was a cooper of Snyder county, combining light farming; owning a good farm three miles west of Beaver Springs, where both he and his wife died. Sarah Howell, wife of Adam Shout, was a daughter of Jacob Howell, of Beavertown, Snyder county, who died there aged eighty years. Children of Henry Harrison Laub: Henry Harrison (2), of whom further; Sarah Jane, George Albert, Jacob Adam, twin of George A.; Elizabeth Isophine and Grace.

(III) Henry Harrison Jr., eldest son of Henry Harrison and Louisa (Shout) Laub, was born at Beaver Springs, West Beaver township, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, December 27, 1862. He was educated in the public schools and early in life learned telegraphy. He became thoroughly proficient, and on March 23, 1883, was appointed operator at McClure, Snyder county, Pennsylvania. He continued there until December 26, 1884, when he was transferred to Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, remaining there until February, 1886; three months later he was appointed operator and clerk in the Pennsylvania railroad station at Lewistown, remaining until July 1, 1889, when he was appointed station agent at Reedsville for the Pennsylvania railroad, continuing in that position until October 1, 1897. On the latter date he was appointed railroad station agent at Lewistown which position he now holds. The station is an important one and, under his direction, Mr. Laub has twenty-one men employed in the passenger, freight and baggage departments. He is a member of the Lewistown Board of Trade; of the board of trustees of the Lewistown Hospital; of the Masonic Association; of the Lewistown Market House Company, of which he is treasurer; of the State Horticultural Association; secretary of the Mifflin County Horticultural and Agricultural Association; member of the board and treasurer of Lewistown school district; and president of the Mifflin County Jewelry Company. He served seven years as secretary of the local board of health; four years as secretary to the chairman of the Mifflin County Republican Committee; was elected to the Republican State convention in 1906; and is at present a member of the Republican standing committee of Mifflin county. He is a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church. He is a member of the Masonic order, belonging to Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons; Lewistown Chapter, No. 186, Royal Arch Masons, and Lewis-

town Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templar. He also belongs to the Royal Arcanum.

He married, April 15, 1891, Sarah Olive Knepp, born at McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. Child: Anna Louisa, born November 4, 1896.

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This branch of the Orr family in the United States descends  
ORR from Alexander Orr, born in county Antrim, Ireland, from whence he emigrated to the United States in boyhood. He found a home in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, there grew to mature years and married Catherine Gardner, of Scotch descent. After his marriage Alexander Orr purchased a farm in the township, prospered there, and reared his family of four children. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, as was his wife, both being active church workers. Children: Mary Jane, married Andrew Cubbison, both deceased; Catherine, married George Kearns, and resides in Lewistown; George, deceased; William Allen, of whom further.

(II) William Allen, son of Alexander and Catherine (Gardner) Orr, was born in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, in 1838, died in Ohio while on a visit to that state. He was a man of education, a prosperous farmer and prominent in public affairs. He was elected county commissioner of Mifflin county; county auditor, and for many years was justice of the peace. He was a Democrat in politics. His home was the old Orr farm, he having purchased the interests of the other heirs. He married Martha Orwig, born in Union county, Pennsylvania, removing to Mifflin county in girlhood. Children: Allen Alexander, of whom further; Mary Grace, married G. E. Smith, and lives in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

(III) Allen Alexander, only son of William Allen and Martha (Orwig) Orr, was born in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, December 10, 1864. He was educated in the public schools, Bloomsburg State Normal School and Williamsport Business College. During this period he had also taught in the public schools five years. In 1890 he located in Lewistown, where he established his present insurance agency, now one of the oldest and largest in the borough. Besides representing some eighteen of the representative home and foreign fire insurance companies, Mr. Orr conducts a real estate business. He is a Democrat in

politics, and since coming to Lewistown, has been active and prominent in county politics. He is president of the school board; served six years as chairman of the Democratic county committee; was secretary of the borough council six years; county treasurer, 1903-04-05; served six years as justice of the peace; in 1913 was commissioned postmaster at Lewistown, Pennsylvania. In 1912 he was the delegate to the Democratic national convention at Baltimore, which nominated Woodrow Wilson for president. In the long fight for a candidate at that convention the Pennsylvania delegate was a tower of strength to the Wilson cause, voting for him solidly until victory was theirs, at the end of the forty-sixth ballot. Mr. Orr is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a man of integrity, ability and influence.

He married, in June, 1898, Mary A., born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, daughter of John and Elizabeth Spratt, formerly of Philadelphia. They have one child: Allen Alexander Jr., born July 20, 1899.

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John W. Kearns, of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, had  
KEARNS for his emigrant progenitor John Kearns, of Germany, who came to this country while yet it was in its swaddling clothes. It is thought that he first located in New York state, afterward joining some of his countrymen in Pennsylvania, where he became a farmer and owned a large tract of land. Among his children was John W., of whom further.

(II) John W., son of John Kearns, of Germany, was an early and prominent resident of Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He moved from there to Mifflin county while it was yet in its infancy, purchased a large tract of land in Decatur township, cleared a portion of it, cultivated it and there lived with his family until his death. He was one of the progressive men of the day and was largely instrumental in introducing modern (for that time) methods of local government. He married Elizabeth Stroup, like himself of sturdy German origin, and she proved herself a worthy helpmeet in every way. They were both members of the Presbyterian church, rearing their children in that creed with great strictness. Children, all of whom are dead: Margaret, married Mr. Hoover; Thomas; Sophia, married Mr. Preston; Sarah, married Mr. Townsend; Phillip S.; John W.; Joseph; Elias Calvin, of whom further.

(III) Elias Calvin, son of John W. and Elizabeth (Stroup) Kearns, was born February 17, 1839, in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, died August 13, 1888, in Derry township, the same county. He was educated in the common schools of the time, and on leaving he began farming. He married and located in Derry township, Mifflin county, buying one hundred and eighty acres, and here lived until his death, a prosperous, highly esteemed citizen of the county. Like his forbears he was a member of the Presbyterian church, as was his wife, and in that faith reared his children. He was a staunch Democrat, advocating and supporting actively the principles of the party; and was elected through it to many of the local offices, in which he served faithfully and for the good of the township. He was poor director for some time, doing all in his power to alleviate the distress of the county charges. He was greatly mourned at his death. He married Nancy J. Sieber, born July 25, 1844, in Juniata county, died in Derry township, April 4, 1905, a daughter of a German family long established in Juniata county. Children: 1. Samuel C., born March 26, 1866, died October 22, 1878, in an accident. 2. John W., of whom further. 3. George E., a postal clerk; lives on Logan street, Lewistown. 4. Nancy Elizabeth, unmarried; lives with her brother Charles. 5. Anna Gertrude, married R. L. Howe, and lives in Philadelphia. 6. Charles, unmarried; a farmer near Lewistown, and is also employed by the Standard Steel Works.

(IV) John William Kearns, of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, son of Elias Calvin and Nancy J. (Sieber) Kearns, was born November 14, 1867, in Derry township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, east of Lewistown. He was educated in the common schools of the township and at the Lewistown Academy. On leaving school he engaged in farming, with great success. In 1895 he bought, in Derry township, ninety-three acres, and there lived until 1910, when he purchased, in the same township, one hundred and forty-one acres, moved to it, still retaining the first farm and cultivating both. He does general farming while making a specialty of potatoes, which he harvests for the market. Ten acres are devoted to this particular branch of agriculture, and from it he realizes handsomely. Naturally he is a member of the Presbyterian church, as is his wife. He is a Democrat in politics and has served as school director. Mr. Kearns not only farms successfully, but is interested in real estate to some extent and owns two houses and lots in Lewis-



town, on Walnut street, which he rents, the value of which have increased with each year. He married, November 6, 1896, Mary Beaver, born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, a daughter of George E. and Elizabeth Beaver, of Perry county, where they rank as prominent members of the county. Children: George Edwin, Paul William, Edith Margaret, Elias Calvin, Hugh Beaver.

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Miss Mary Hoofnogle, a highly esteemed resident  
HOOFNOGLE of Reedsville, is the daughter of George Hoofnogle, born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, in 1795, died near Vandyke, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, 1877. He grew to manhood in Berks county, learned the mason's trade, and while still a young man moved to Snyder county, establishing his home near Beaver Springs, where he married. Later he moved to near Vandyke, Juniata county, where he worked at his trade until incapacitated by age, lived retired for several years and died. He married Catherine Gleckner, born in Union county, Pennsylvania, died in 1845, leaving five children. Mr. Hoofnogle never again married, living a widower for thirty-two years. Children: 1. Sarah, married Wilson Dellett; lived in Milroy, Pennsylvania, where she died in 1906. 2. Rebecca, married George Smith, whom she survives, a resident of Juniata county. 3. Melinda, married Louis Rousch; resides at McClure, Pennsylvania. 4. Catherine, married William Horner; resides at Center Hall, Pennsylvania. 5. Mary, now living in Reedsville, Pennsylvania.

(II) Mary, youngest daughter of George and Catherine (Gleckner) Hoofnogle, was born near Vandyke, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in 1841. Her mother dying in 1845, the child Mary was taken by a kind family, with whom she was reared and educated. On arriving at womanhood she became housekeeper for Robert Taylor, remaining in that position until his death in 1896. In that year she moved to Reedsville, Pennsylvania, which is yet her home. She is a member of the Presbyterian church, and is held in high esteem by her many friends. Miss Hoofnogle, many years ago, in memory of the kindness shown herself when a motherless child adopted a young girl, Elizabeth Shafer, on whom she has lavished a mother's love and care and to whose children she is indeed the typical, fond and indulgent grandmother. Miss Shafer married Harry Smith, and now resides in Akron, Ohio, with their chil-

dren: Hazel, Robert, Mildred, Leroy and Luella, twins; Mabel G., Harry S.

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Robert Taylor, the emigrant ancestor of the Taylor family of Pennsylvania, and also in New England, landed from a small sailing vessel at New York, about 1680. There he remained until after his marriage with the daughter of another emigrant. He moved with his family to the western part of the province of New York, near the Pennsylvania line, and there settled. At that time it was one of the most dangerous portions of the province of New York, as the Indians were always on the warpath and made living in the wilderness a hazardous experiment. Mr. Taylor remained on the clearing that he made and on which he erected a semi-block house, tilled his land, fought his neighbors, the Indians, and reared his family. Later his grandsons migrated to Pennsylvania and there established themselves. Taylor is one of the notable names of the United States. One of the name has been its president; several have filled the gubernatorial chairs; many have sat upon the bench as chief justices; others have served in the army and navy, and still others have been plain, honorable citizens, bearing their share of the burdens of the great Republic which their progenitors helped to make.

(I) Robert Taylor, a direct descendant of the first Robert Taylor, and the colonial progenitor of the Taylor family of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, took out warrants in 1754 for a tract containing three thousand acres of land, part of which is still in possession of the family, in Mifflin county, as it is now known. He was one of the dominating factors in the upbuilding of that part of the colony of Pennsylvania. He cleared a portion of the land of its forest growth, erected substantial and protective log houses on it, and here lived and reared his family. Among his children was Matthew, of whom further.

(II) Matthew, son of Robert Taylor, was born and reared on the extensive Taylor homestead in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the common schools, at that time held in log houses. He also farmed on the homestead. He was a soldier of the revolution, and again offered his services to his country in the war of 1812. He married Mrs. Sarah (Sample) Mayes, a widow, by whom he had four sons: Robert, John, Henry, of whom further; Sample.

(III) Henry, son of Matthew and Sarah (Sample-Mayes) Taylor, was born on the Taylor homestead, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the common schools of the township, and began farming on reaching his majority. He married (first) Ann McNitt; (second) Rosanna McFarlane; (third) Priscilla Turbett. Children by third marriage: 1. Sarah Jane, married Samuel Laird, of Juniata county. 2. Anna, married James Kyle. 3. Henry, of whom further. 4. Priscilla, married William Thompson, of Center county. 5. Matthew B., married Eliza Jane Means. 6. James, married Nancy Hughes.

(IV) Henry (2), son on Henry (1) and Priscilla (Turbett) Taylor, was born November 25, 1825, on the Taylor homestead at the head of Tea creek, Brown township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, died February 22, 1905. He was educated in the township schools, and at the Tuscarora Academy, and at the age of twenty-five began farming for himself. He was one of the most successful farmers of his section, and in 1884 bought the J. Ferren Mann place. He retired twenty years before his death from active participation in the business world. He was a Republican, advocating the principles of that party in all national issues. He was a zealous member of the Presbyterian church, and a liberal-minded, public-spirited man, co-operating with his fellow citizens in all laudable ways for promoting the public good. He married (first) Priscilla Ann Kyle. Children: 1. William Henry, married Rhoda Henry. 2. Joseph Charles, married Lula Spear; resides in Albany, Texas. 3. James, married Elizabeth Taylor. Henry Taylor married (second) Mary Ann (Jack) Johnson, widow of James Johnson. She was born near New Holland, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, January 9, 1834, daughter of James and Ann Eliza (De Haven) Jack. She married (first) James Johnson, November 30, 1854, and lived in Center county until her marriage (the second time) to Henry Taylor, January 15, 1874. They had one child, George De Haven, of whom further. Mrs. Taylor was the daughter, as has been said, of James and Ann Eliza (De Haven) Jack. He was the grandson of James Jack, who came from Belfast, Ireland, to America to colonial days, settled in Pennsylvania, and there lived and died. His name appears on the church record at Brandywine Manor, Chester county, in 1756; he was a farmer. His son Adam was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, and died in Warren county, Ohio. Among his children was James, who was born in 1806, in Chester

county, Pennsylvania, and there grew up. While yet a young man he moved to Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, near New Holland. He was a wheelwright by trade, but later farmed in various places, among them being Center county. He married Ann Eliza De Haven, a member of an old family of that part of the state. They had one child, Mary Ann (Jack) Taylor. In their old age they moved to the home of their daughter. He died in 1886 and his wife in 1878. They were both members of the Presbyterian church.

(V) George De Haven, son of Henry (2) and Mary Ann (Jack-Johnson) Taylor, was born February 21, 1876, near Reedsville, Pennsylvania. He received his preparatory education in the public schools and finished at the State College, supplementing his education with a mechanical course. Leaving school he was employed by the Standard Steel Works at Burnham, Pennsylvania, where he remained for seven years. Leaving the company he went to Albany, Texas, with his brother, Joseph Charles Taylor. At the expiration of two years he returned to Pennsylvania and formed a partnership with H. Gottschalk for the manufacture of baker's machinery. They began in a small way at Burnham, but the business increased to such proportions that at the end of a year they decided to enlarge it and moved to Reedsville for that purpose. They purchased the old opera house on the Honey creek road, a building fifty by one hundred and seventy-five feet, and installed their machinery. The increase in their output was wonderful, but it did not keep pace with the demand. They now employ from eight to twelve men, and their products are special machinery, dough mixers and pan filling machines. Their products find ready markets all over the world, in Australia as well as England. Their establishment is one of phenomenal growth and they are adding special and new inventions all the while, all of which are patented. The factory is up-to-date in equipment and the machinery ordered is made and changed to suit the conditions and individual requirements of their patrons. They take the greatest precautions in filling orders, and are expeditious as circumstances will permit. The business grew to such proportions that it was incorporated in April, 1909, with H. Gottschalk as president, and George De Haven Taylor as secretary and treasurer, with the stock held and controlled by Messrs. Gottschalk and Taylor. Mr. Taylor adheres to the Republican party, giving it his vote and influence. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian



church, and he of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons.

He married, June 30, 1902, Mary Ella Gilmore, born in Wellington, Kansas, daughter of F. H. and Mary S. Gilmore, prominent people in Kansas. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have no children.

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The Shumaker family, of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, is evidently of German origin, and they have inherited the endurance, loyalty, industry and patriotism which characterize the natives of Germany. The name was probably spelled *Schuhmacher* in the mother country, and a slight change has anglicized it. They have borne their share bravely in all the trials and troubles which have fallen to the lot of this country, since the earliest member of the family made his home here. The grandfather of John A. Shumaker was in active service during the revolutionary war, giving not alone his time and services, but generously of his means to further the cause of American liberty. His team wagon was driven by him from place to place during that memorable struggle, and was always to be found where it could be of the greatest service.

(II) Daniel Shumaker, son of the preceding, was born in 1814, and died in April, 1885. He married Sarah Ann Bailey, who was born in 1817, and died in September, 1891. They are both interred in the Presbyterian cemetery at Reedsville, Pennsylvania. They had children: Mary E., married Jeremiah Slagle, and has five children; John A., see forward; Anna L., married Joseph Forsyth, and has two children; Matthew T., married, and removed to Kansas, where he died; Charles D., removed first to Iowa, then to Springfield, Missouri, where he died, leaving a widow and one child, a daughter; Samuel, died in Iowa; James, a farmer in Brown township; William, also of Brown township, married Rebecca Maybin.

(III) John A., eldest son and second child of Daniel and Sarah Ann (Bailey) Shumaker, was born near Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, November 28, 1841. The public schools of his native township gave him the means of acquiring a satisfactory education, and when this had been completed he assisted his father in the cultivation of the homestead farm. With the exception of twelve months he was thus occupied, during this short period his employment being on another farm. He was

one of the earliest to enlist in the service of his country upon the outbreak of the civil war, and his patriotism and personal bravery are worthy of an extended record. Enlisting August 15, 1861, he became a member of Company H, Forty-ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, Captain Ralph L. Maclay. The many forced marches and fatigue duty this company was called upon to endure proved the individual worth of its members. The battles in which Mr. Shumaker was engaged were as follows: Yorktown, Williamsburg, Goldens Farm, Savage Station, Malvern Hill, White Oak Swamp, second battle of Bull Run and Antietam.

At the battle of Goldens Farm, Mr. Shumaker earned especial distinction. There had been a call for two volunteers for especially perilous work and Mr. Shumaker volunteered, providing a certain comrade would accompany him. Colonel Irwin, of the regiment, happened to be present on this occasion and was a witness of the brave devotion of Mr. Shumaker. Not long afterward, at White Oak Swamp, Mr. Shumaker again had an opportunity to earn distinction. The Union forces had had uninterrupted fighting for four days in succession, and in addition to this were exhausted by long marches. They were overtaken while on the march by General "Stonewall" Jackson, and were in an open field, hemmed in by their wagon trains and artillery, when the rebel general opened fire upon them with a large and well conditioned force. There was almost a panic among the men, who had suffered so greatly from loss of rest and exposure, and the officers were practically helpless and would have lost control completely were it not for a few cool-headed ones among the rank and file. Prominent among these was Mr. Shumaker who, as his captain was not on hand at the time, succeeded in rallying the scattered members of his company in so effective a manner that it attracted the attention of Colonel Irwin, who was passing near by. He at once declared that bravery of so high an order well merited a commission, and he would see that it was reported in the proper quarters. This was never done, as Colonel Irwin was wounded very shortly afterward, and Mr. Shumaker having been sent to a hospital on sick leave, the matter was never taken up. By the time Mr. Shumaker returned to the army his regiment had been consolidated with another. He never took any steps to claim any reward for the arduous and dangerous duty he had so gallantly performed, although he was very justly entitled to one.

At the battle of the Wilderness Mr. Shumaker was in the front rank and, while repelling an attack of cavalry, his gun was struck by a ball which glanced downward and wounded him in the leg, while the recoil of the gun against his head threw him to the ground. At Cold Harbor, June 1, 1864, a musket ball inflicted a wound in his left arm and thus ended his active military service. He was honorably discharged October 24, 1864.

Upon his return to Mifflin county, he commenced to farm on shares with Crawford Kyle in Brown township, and three years later purchased land in the same township, cultivating it alone for a further period of three years. During the next nine years he was engaged in cultivating rented ground, and amassed a considerable fortune by this proceeding. In 1883 he purchased the homestead of eighty acres near Milroy, Pennsylvania, and has made many improvements on this piece of property. He lived on this homestead until 1899, when he removed to Milroy and there erected two houses and engaged in the harness business with which he is still identified. He is active in the public affairs of the community, and is a man of influence in the councils of the Republican party. His religious connections are with the Congregational church at Milroy. He is an active member of the Colonel Hulings Post, No. 176, Grand Army of the Republic, at Lewistown, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Shumaker married, March 12, 1867, Sarah Ann, second daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Peters) Witman, and granddaughter of John and Eva (Hile) Witman, whose children were: Isaac, mentioned above, and Catherine, who married Jesse W. Horton. Mr. and Mrs. Shumaker have had children: 1. and 2. Grace and Bessie, twins, who died in childhood. 3. Boyd, died at the age of eighteen years. 4. Elsie, married John Krotzer, and has five children: Bertha, Boyd, Blaine, Estella and Bartley. 5. Mary B., married Archie Grove, and has one child, Lorena. 6. Margaret, attending school at Berea, Kentucky, where she is taking a six-year course, will be a graduate in the class of 1914.

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The Witman family has been identified with the agricultural and other interests of the state of Pennsylvania for very many years, the progenitors of the family, the great-grandparents of Lewis Elwood Witman, having come to this country from the hardy little country of Switzerland.

(I) Washington Witman was a large land owner in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, where he was engaged in farming the greater part of his life. He attained the advanced age of eighty years and, in addition to devoting time to agriculture, he conducted a well known hotel for the greater part of his life. He was a staunch supporter of the principles of the Whig party until the birth of the Republican party, when he gave his allegiance to the latter. In religious faith he and his wife were members of the Evangelical church. He married and had children: John, who was also a farmer, died in Hamburg, Pennsylvania; Cyrus, for many years followed boating on the Schuylkill canal, and is now living in retirement; Henry, see forward; Washington Jr., who served with honor during the civil war; Charles H., spent his entire life in Schuylkill county, where he was in business as a merchant and grocer; William, a hotel and restaurant proprietor in Schuylkill county; a daughter.

(II) Henry, son of Washington Witman, was born in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania. His death was caused by drowning on a very dark night in the canal. For some years he was engaged in farm labors, but abandoned them in favor of the life of a boatman on the canal, and it was while in discharge of these duties that his accidental death occurred. His residence in Schuylkill county was considered a very fine one. He married in Schuylkill county, Amelia, daughter of Gabriel and Margaret Krohn, of Philadelphia. Mr. Krohn had been a sailor for many years, and died at the age of eighty-two. Mr. Witman was a staunch Republican in political matters, and he and his wife were members of the Evangelical church. They had children: 1. Joanna Margaret, born in 1857; married Robert Garth, who is employed in Philadelphia, and they have a number of children. 2. Lewis Elwood, see forward. 3. Edward Decatur, born in August, 1860; lives in Philadelphia, where he is engaged in the tea and spice business; married Annie Karcher, and they have one daughter. 4. Gabriella, born in 1862; married Ephraim Sherman, a barber in Lebanon, Pennsylvania. 5. William Henry, born in 1864, lives in Philadelphia; was formerly engaged in farming, and is now in the dairy business; married (first) Laura Bartlett, (second) Amy Wager. 6. Elmira, born in 1866; married Thomas Long, a stone cutter of Philadelphia.

(III) Lewis Elwood, eldest son and second child of Henry and



Amelia (Krohn) Witman, was born in Schuylkill Haven, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, April 11, 1858. He was educated in the district school of his native county, but this education was a very limited one. In many respects Mr. Witman may be considered a self-educated man, as he has never lost an opportunity of acquiring useful knowledge, and his keen powers of observation have been a great and decided advantage to him.

From his earliest youth he was bright and wide-awake and the varied occupations in which he has been engaged were of material assistance to him in the acquisition of knowledge. In his early manhood he was engaged for a period of four years as a driver for a boat on the canal, but finding the occupation becoming monotonous after a time, he sought and found employment in the woolen mills. He made a special study of that branch connected with the dyeing of the materials, and learned the intricacies of this in every detail. He then established himself independently in the dyeing business, with which he has now been connected in a very successful manner for thirty years. He removed from Philadelphia to Milroy, in 1904, and has since that time resided there. He has three acres of ground around his residence, and during the past three years has made a specialty of raising chickens. He is esteemed by his townsmen as a good citizen, casting his vote for the Republican party. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and he is also a member of the Order of American Mechanics, of Philadelphia.

Mr. Witman married, September 1, 1880, Mary Ann, born April 4, 1860, daughter of Francis and Harriet (Winterbottom) Garth, both natives of England, who came to the United States in 1845. Mr. Garth was a hand mule spinner who made his home in Philadelphia, where he died November 18, 1909, his wife having died June 7, of the same year. Mr. and Mrs. Witman have had children: 1. Frank Elwood, born June 7, 1883; is a dyer in Groveville, New Jersey; married Mary Fielding, and has two children, Grace E. and Frank E. 2. Russell Garth, born May 10, 1886; is now studying medicine in Philadelphia; married (first) Esther B. Erhart, who died September 29, 1908; he married (second) Margaret Kohler, of Philadelphia; his only child, Russell Garth Jr., born May 1, 1907, is being raised by Mr. and Mrs. Witman. 3. Ross Henry, born October 19, 1890, died December 21, 1892.

The name Lynn is one well known in both Scotland and Ireland and was anciently borne by a distinctive Scotch family. A branch settled in the North of Ireland, from whence in 1870 came Samuel Lynn and his wife, Mary E. Dougal. They were both born in the North of Ireland and on coming to the United States settled in Milton, Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, where he died in 1900, she in 1907. Both were members of the Presbyterian church and he was a Republican in political faith. Children: James D., of whom further; George F., Samuel, Mary, John, Annie, Arthur and Norris; all living.

(II) James D., eldest son of Samuel and Mary E. (Dougal) Lynn, was born in the North of Ireland March 31, 1862. He was eight years of age when his parents came to Milton, Pennsylvania, where he was educated, finishing in the high school. He began business life as a clerk in the store of N. A. Dougal, at Milton, remaining one and a half years. In 1879 he entered the employ of Spencer L. Finney, of Milton, continuing until 1893. He was with Somerville & Company, of Windburne, Clearfield county, until 1905. For the next six years he was employed in different stores in Jersey Shore, Phillipsburg and Ehrenfeld, Pennsylvania, coming to Burnham in 1911, as manager of Logan & Company (incorporated) Stores, a position he now holds. He is a progressive Republican, and while in Windburne served for four years as school director. He belongs to the Masonic order, holding membership in Moshannon Lodge, No. 391, Free and Accepted Masons. He married in April, 1891, Minnie A. Trego, born in Milton, Pennsylvania. Children: John, Robert, Mary, Minnie, Harry and Edward.

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This particular branch of the Smith family has been domiciled in the state of Pennsylvania for three generations, where they have left their impress upon business and social life. They came from Germany, where the name was originally spelled Schmidt, but became anglicized in the course of years.

(I) Daniel Smith was born in Germany and came to the United States after his marriage. He decided upon Miller township as his place of residence, and it was there that his death occurred. In his native country he had been a traveling shoemaker, and he pursued that calling after his arrival here. In addition to this occupation he engaged in



*La. W. Lyne*





farming, having acquired by purchase a considerable amount of land. He and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. Of their thirteen children the following names are on record: William, Daniel, Jacob, John, Henry, Kate, Peggy and Charles K., mentioned below.

(II) Charles K., youngest child of Daniel Smith, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, in May, 1827. For a time he was engaged in farming, then commenced the manufacture of bricks, being the pioneer in that field of industry in Perry county. Subsequently he purchased a farm of two hundred and sixty-seven acres, which he cultivated until his death in 1899. He was a staunch Democrat in political matters, and a devout member of the German Reformed church. Mr. Smith married Angeline C., daughter of Jacob Sheibley, a farmer and large land owner near Bridgeport, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Smith was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, May 7, 1837, and died May 26, 1913. They had children: Carrie, who died at the age of fourteen years; Annie, Sallie and Minnie, who died in infancy; Jacob, living in Newport, married Ocilla Stephens, is a land owner and engaged in farming; Singer J., mentioned below.

(III) Singer J., son of Charles K. and Angeline C. (Sheibley) Smith, was born in Miller township, Perry county, Pennsylvania, December 27, 1868. The common schools of Newport, Pennsylvania, furnished his education until he had attained the age of ten years, and he was then obliged to remove to the farm with his parents and bear his share in its cultivation until he was eighteen years of age. Then until his thirty-first year he was in the employ of others, also at farming work until 1899, when he came to Newport where he purchased a butcher shop, remaining thus employed for three years, after which he clerked in a hotel; then he purchased a wholesale liquor establishment which he carried on for three years. In 1911 he came to Mifflin and bought his present hotel. It is a large hotel and well equipped for the purpose for which it was intended. The cuisine is of the best and the service unexceptionable, and it has a reputation which is far more than a merely local one. Mr. Smith has also been engaged in building operations, and erected the first complete flat which was constructed in Perry county. He is greatly interested in whatever concerns the welfare of his town, state or the country at large, and is earnest in his support of Democratic principles. He is a regular attendant at the Reformed church,

while his wife is a member of the Episcopalian denomination. His fraternal affiliations consist of membership in Newport Lodge, No. 102, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Newport.

Mr. Smith married, March 2, 1905, Nora, daughter of Arthur Priestley. Mrs. Smith was born in England, and came to this country at the age of eighteen years.

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Elliot Groninger, of Port Royal, Juniata county, GRONINGER Pennsylvania, descends on the paternal side from good Dutch stock which has long been planted in this country. Many of the name fought with the Continentals in their war of independence with the English, and some of them left a brilliant record. They also established records as Indian fighters, and were among the first to be called on for defense of the wilderness block-houses, which were erected in nearly every settlement for the protection of the women and children.

(I) John Daniel Groninger came direct from Holland in the small sailing vessel, the "Marlborough", and landed at Philadelphia September 23, 1741. He established himself soon thereafter as a farmer, taking up wild land, clearing and improving it, building thereon houses for his family. He was successful in all his ventures and when he died, in Berks county, Pennsylvania, in 1786, he left quite a large estate. Among his children was Leonard S., of whom further.

(II) Leonard S., son of John Daniel Groninger, was born in 1758, on his father's farm. His meager education was obtained at such schools as the times afforded. He was a farmer by occupation and died on his farm in Milford township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, where he had spent most of his life. He was a soldier of the revolution as well as an Indian scout. In 1780, previous to his coming to Milford township, he was on a hunting and scouting expedition when he was surprised and taken captive by the Indians. He was held by them for two years, and at last succeeding in making his escape, he found his way through the almost impenetrable forests to his home. He lived a long and useful life, dying in 1831. He married, in 1788, Barbara May, the daughter of a neighbor. Children: Leonard Jr.; Henry; George, married Miss Martin; Jacob, of whom further; Margaret, married John Hench; Susannah, married John Wischaupt; Mary, married Jacob Kepner.

(III) Jacob, son of Leonard S. and Barbara (May) Groninger, was born March 6, 1799, died in 1892, in Milford township, where he was born and reared. Necessarily his education was limited to the advantages offered by the schools of that day, and on leaving them he entered the occupation of farming. He took up two hundred virgin acres in the forest, cleared, erected buildings on it and cultivated it, putting in corn and such crops as the time and seasons permitted. He was unusually successful, and at his death left a nice estate. He was a staunch Presbyterian, supporting his church generously, and was a good man, friend and neighbor, which meant much more in those days of isolation from human companionship than it does today. He married (first) Nancy Hench, who died in 1831; married (second) Sidney Wilson, born March 14, 1814, died July 3, 1892. Children by first marriage: John, who was twice married; Mary Ann, married Abram Carbaugh; Barbara, married Stewart T. Turbett; Elizabeth, married Jesse Reynolds; Leonard, of whom further; Jacob, married Margaret Jacobs; Orrin, married Malinda Jacobs; Henry, married Mary Jacobs. Children by second marriage: Wilson, married Elizabeth Notestine; Hannah J., married D. K. Suloff; George, married Amanda Rhine; Samuel, married Elizabeth Galbraith; William, married Catherine Ritzman; Benjamin, married Matilda Kepner; Euphemia, married John G. Hertzler; James, married Alice Hertzler; Matilda, married Jonas K. Hertzler.

(IV) Leonard, son of Jacob and Nancy (Hench) Groninger, was born in Milford township, Juniata county, on the Groninger homestead. He was educated in the common schools of the township, and engaged in farming while yet a youth. He purchased land in Milford township after his marriage and lived on it until his death, which occurred in 1905. He was an active worker in the Lutheran church, of which he was a member, as was his wife. He advocated the principles of the Republican party, and voted with it since it was organized in 1857-59. He married Margaret, a daughter of William Reynolds, a long time resident of Fermanagh township, a farmer and land owner. Mr. Reynolds was one of the prosperous and prominent men of his section, and had a notable military record. His children were: Mary, married Enoch Horning; Jesse, married Betsey Groninger; Robert, married Miss Robinson; George, was a civil war veteran, died unmarried; Margaret, mar-

ried Leonard Groninger, and died in 1902. Children of Leonard and Margaret (Reynolds) Groninger. 1. Stewart, a locomotive engineer, killed in an accident; married Rosa Shaffner. 2. Mary, married Everitt Meloy, a farmer of Milford township, both deceased. 3. John, married Anna Beale; he is a telegraph lineman at Reading, Pennsylvania. 4. Elliot, of whom further. 5. Jacob, died on reaching majority. 6. George, married Laura Weildman; he is a farmer in Milford township. 7. Jesse, married Gertrude Arbagast.

(V) Elliot, son of Leonard and Margaret (Reynolds) Groninger, was born February 12, 1856, in Milford township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania. He received a common school education in the township, and on leaving school began farming with his father. He moved to his present home in 1889, which was known as the Professor Wilson place, near Port Royal, and has one hundred acres in a high state of productiveness. He does general farming and stock raising, the dual occupation netting handsome sums each year. He is a Republican, was associate judge from 1906 to 1911, and has held other minor offices. He is a member of the Lutheran church, while his wife attends the Presbyterian. He married Mary, daughter of John and Mary (Hamilton) McLaughlin, the latter agent for several fire insurance companies in Turbett township. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Groninger: 1. Homer, born in 1885; graduate of West Point Military Academy, in 1908; at present serving in the Fifth Cavalry, U. S. A. 2. Stoe, born in 1889; a teacher. 3. Hugh, born in 1892; a student in State College. 4. Sarah, born in 1894; at home with parents.

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George D. Herrington, of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, descends on the paternal side from honorable English stock, and on the distaff side from thrifty German people, a happy combination, as has been proven on many occasions and in many American families.

(I) Daniel Herrington, the grandfather of George D. Herrington, was born in Pennsylvania. His forbears probably came to this country in the early part of 1700, as there are many of the name in the New England states who claim early emigrants from England about that time. Daniel passed his entire life in his native state, spending most of it in the Juniata Valley. He married a native of the valley. Children: 1.



Hiram, was a laborer in Juniata Valley. 2. Reuben, of whom further. 3. James, a drayman at the Osceola Mills.

(II) Reuben, son of Daniel Herrington, was born in Juniata Valley, June 11, 1830, and was killed in a sand mine, November 11, 1873. He was a farmer in early life and a boatman on the Juniata canal, afterward engaging with the railroad. At the outbreak of hostilities between the north and south he enlisted in a Pennsylvania company and served out the time of his enlistment. He was a Democrat, taking an active interest in all political questions, and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married (first) Mary Davis, December 16, 1851; she died August 4, 1854. He married (second) Catherine Minehart, born November 16, 1832, in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, died March 6, 1900, daughter of John and Mary (Lyons) Minehart. Children by first marriage: 1. James Horace, born October 22, 1852; a farmer in Texas. 2. Mary, died in infancy. Children by second marriage: 3. John, born July 14, 1861; owns a steam laundry in Lewistown; married Susie Hochenberry. 4. Sarah H., born July 16, 1863, died aged fourteen. 5. Mary E., born April 10, 1865; married Peter Lower, an axe grinder at Yeagertown. 6. Rachel Annie, born December 6, 1867; married Henry Knepp; lives at Lima, Ohio. 7. Elbertha A., born January 27, 1870, died aged seven. 8. George D., of whom further. 9. Reuben Alfonzo, born March 1, 1874, died in infancy. John and Mary (Lyons) Minehart came from Butler county to Mifflin county with their family, and he took up land in Granville township, about two hundred acres. He cleared and improved it and he and his wife died on it, he at the age of seventy-two and she eighty-six. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and were highly respected in the community. They both were God-fearing and law-abiding members of society, and reared their children to be such. Children: William; Catherine, married Reuben Herrington; Ard.

(III) George D., son of Reuben and Catherine (Minehart) Herrington, was born June 4, 1872, in Granville township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He received his education in the common schools of the township, and as a young man engaged with the various farmers of the township and with his brother. In 1900 he established a milk dairy business, which he has since followed with great success. In 1906 he bought one hundred and forty acres of land five miles from Lewistown,

and has brought them up to a high state of productiveness. He does general farming and stock raising. He gives his franchise to the Democratic party, and has done so since reaching his majority, but has never held nor aspired to office. He, with his wife, attends the Baptist church, of which she is a member.

He married, March 2, 1897, Mary E., daughter of Ellis and Tillie (Rittenhouse) Donahey, the former a prominent farmer of Granville township. Mrs. Herrington died July 1, 1912. Children: 1. Wilbur, born October 24, 1899. 2. Matilda Catherine, born September 22, 1900. 3. George Walker, born September 1, 1905. 4. Ethel May, born July 27, 1907. 5. Horace Reuben, born March 24, 1909. 6. Mary Donahey, born June 2, 1912, died in infancy.

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William J. Crissman, of Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, must be classed by learned ethnologists as a true American, in that he descends from three of the different races that have combined to produce the American nation of to-day, the English, Irish and German.

(I) Adam Crissman, the forbear of the Crissman family in Pennsylvania, was born in Lower Pennsylvania while it was yet a province of England. He was a farmer and reared his family on the first clearing that he made after his marriage. An Adam Crissman is named as one of the soldiers from Pennsylvania that enlisted in the continental army, and it is more than probable that it was he. He was the father of a large family, and among his sons was John, of whom further.

(II) John, son of Adam Crissman, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, on the farm of his father. He was a farmer and a land owner, and at one time had under cultivation one hundred and twenty acres. He also possessed valuable timber lands in Havice Valley. He married Elizabeth Rothrock, born in Dauphin county, daughter of a prominent German family in that community. Immediately after marriage they came to Mifflin county and settled near Siglerville, where they soon became identified with the social and religious life of that section. Both were members at one time of the German Reformed church, but later in life affiliated with the Presbyterian. Children: 1. Adam, died in Clearfield county; was a bookkeeper and later a prosperous merchant; married Sarah Hudson. 2. George W., a farmer of

Armagh township; married (first) Elizabeth Longwell; (second) Louise Wagner. 3. Lavina, married Frederick Havice, a farmer of Armagh township. 4. Margaret, married Christian Brown, a farmer of Armagh township. 5. Elizabeth, married Thomas Longwell, a carpenter and contractor of Siglerville. 6. John M., of whom further. 7. Susannah, married W. H. Glass, a prominent educator and a civil war veteran, member of the Grand Army of the Republic.

(III) John M., son of John and Elizabeth (Rothrock) Crissman, was born December 5, 1834, near Siglerville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, died March 7, 1902, at Siglerville. He farmed during his entire life in Armagh township, and owned a large place on which he erected substantial houses and reared his family of ten children. He was a staunch Republican as soon as that party came into existence, supporting it and working for it. He was honored by his neighbors with many township offices. He and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church, of which he was an elder for twenty-five years. He advocated at all times the greatest good to the greatest number, and there was no question of public policy that did not have his approval when it was for the benefit of the public. He married Mary J. Aitkens, born May 9, 1840, in Mifflin county, near Siglerville, died June 4, 1905, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John A. Esh. She was the daughter of William and Eliza (Close) Aitkens. Mr. Crissman was widely mourned at his death, as his township offices and generosity had brought him in close contact with many people of the township. Children. 1. William J., of whom further. 2. Hallie Elizabeth, born March 20, 1860; married W. G. Ramsey, a farmer of Armagh township; she is deceased. 3. Ada J., born December 17, 1861; married A. F. McClintic, a gentleman farmer and merchant. 4. James Mead, born August 23, 1863; a farmer and later a mail route carrier; married the widow of Samuel M. Brown. 5. Samuel Rush, born April 20, 1865, died in infancy. 6. Edward Bruce, born January 28, 1867, died March 25, 1913; married (first) Jennie Sailor; (second) Margaret Esh. 7. Minnie May, born October 30, 1868; married T. W. Lawver, an educator and farmer of Milroy; she is deceased. 8. Walter Clark, born September 28, 1871; a school teacher and farmer; married Rhoda Sample. 9. Bertha, born September 26, 1873; married John A. Esh, a farmer of Armagh township. 10. Mary M., born October 8, 1878, deceased; married Clyde Stull.

(IV) William J., son of John M. and Mary J. (Aitkens) Crissman, was born August 26, 1858, in Armagh township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, on the Crissman homestead. He received his preparatory education in the public school of the township, finishing at the Milroy high school. Being the eldest of a large family of children he considered it his duty to remain on the farm with his father, and did so until he reached the age of twenty-eight. In 1904 Mr. Crissman moved from his one hundred and forty-one-acre farm in Granville township to Lewis town and established a meat market, supplying it largely from his own farm, where he makes a specialty of stock raising for his market. Since the establishment of the business it has grown wonderfully, assisted, not only by the demand for excellent meats, but also by the courteous and fair treatment of the public. Both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church, and like his father he votes with the Republican party, but has never held nor asked for office. He is regarded as one of the substantial, progressive business men of Lewis town. He married, December 28, 1887, Juniata J., daughter of Lemuel A. and Margareta (Koons) Kepner, of German descent and prominent people of Turbett township, Juniata county, where Mr. Kepner had a large farm.

(The Aitkens Line).

The Aitkens family, long established in Pennsylvania, is of Scotch-Irish descent. William Aitkens came from Scotland in 1742, and settled in Pennsylvania. His son, William, also located in Pennsylvania. John, the son of William, was born in Lancaster county, but moved to an adjoining county on reaching his majority. William, son of John, lived and died near Siglerville, Mifflin county. He was a Republican and a member of the Presbyterian church. He was a farmer during the greater part of his life, and erected on his farm a smithy that was largely patronized by the community as well as the farmers in adjoining townships. He married (first) Eliza Close, daughter of Mr. Close, of English extraction; married (second) Maria Jones, of Clearfield county. Children by first marriage: 1. Thomas, a farmer; married Susannah Crissman, the widow of W. H. Glass. 2. Mary J., married John M. Crissman (see Crissman III). 3. Samuel D., a mail carrier and farmer in Armagh township, lives on Aitkens homestead; married Maggie Adams. 4. Ada J., married Wilson W. Nale, a farmer of Center county



and later of Armagh township. Children by second marriage: 5. Sarah, married Charles J. Ehrenfield, a farmer and land owner of Armagh township. 6. Maggie B., married S. H. Crissman. 7. Martha, married A. B. Cummings, a farmer of Armagh township.

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Simon E. Hess, the efficient yard conductor for the Pennsylvania railroad at Marysville, is a son of Henry E. and Mary Jane (Eppler) Hess. Henry E. Hess was born in 1841, has been a railroad man for many years and is now train master for the Pennsylvania railroad, stationed at Baltimore, Maryland. He is a Democrat in politics, has held several offices local in character and is a member of the Knights of Pythias. He married Mary Jane Eppler, born in 1852 in East Pennsboro township, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Simon G. and Catherine (Hebison) Eppler and granddaughter of John Eppler and his wife, a Miss Garver. John Eppler was a farmer and land owner of Perry county, later moving to the town of Marysville where he lived retired until his death. He left issue, among whom were: Simon G. (see forward); Herman; Reuben; Solomon; Aaron; Leah, married David Brightall; Susan, married Jacob Zang.

Simon G. Eppler was born December 31, 1831, on an island in the Susquehanna river, just below Harrisburg in Londonderry township, Dauphin county, died in Marysville, Pennsylvania, October 5, 1899. He was a railroad engineer for many years at Marysville, but in later life opened a shoe store there. He was a Republican in politics and both he and his wife were members of the Church of God.

He married Catherine Hebison, born in East Pennsboro township, Cumberland county, November 22, 1830, died December 5, 1911; children: Mary Jane, born June 12, 1852, married Henry E. Hess (of previous mention); Aaron H., born April 3, 1857, died aged eight years; Sarah Ann, born August 29, 1858, married Philip Zimmerman, a merchant of Highspire, Dauphin county; Catherine, born January 29, 1860, never married. Children of Henry E. and Mary Jane Hess: Catherine, residing at home; Simon E., of whom further; Lily, married James Sibbits and resides in Baltimore; Anna, resides in Baltimore; Mary, married Lindsay Pettit and resides in Washington, D. C.; George, now an electrical engineer in Altoona, Pennsylvania.

(II) Simon E., eldest son of Henry E. and Mary Jane (Eppler)

Hess, was born in Marysville, Perry county, Pennsylvania, September 7, 1875. He was educated in the public schools and at the age of eighteen years entered the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad as clerk at the Marysville station. Later he entered the train service as brakeman, winning promotion to his present position of yard conductor at Marysville. He is a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; the Patriotic Order Sons of America; the Knights of Pythias and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church.

He married in 1897 Cora, daughter of John and Mary (Freed) Hipple, he a farmer of Rye township. Mary Freed was a daughter of Joseph and Sarah Freed, natives of York county, Pennsylvania, later resided on their farm in Perry county. Children of John and Mary (Freed) Hipple: Arbie E., married Della Colyer (?); Sarah, married James White; Nettie, unmarried; Walter, unmarried; Richard, married Anna Bell Eppley; Cora, married Simon E. Hess, of previous mention; children: Miriam, born April 30, 1899; Theodore, February 4, 1909.

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This branch of the McLaughlin family was  
McLAUGHLIN founded in Pennsylvania by Hugh McLaughlin, born in Ireland, who settled in Lancaster on first coming to America. The date of his coming to Juniata county is fixed at 1793 or 1794, by deeds and land transfers. His lands were in Turbett township and there he lived until death. He married in Ireland and brought a family to this country with him.

(II) James, son of Hugh McLaughlin, was born in Ireland and came to Pennsylvania with his father at the age of fourteen years. He moved to Juniata county, married and settled on the homestead farm in Turbett township, where his after life was spent. During the war of 1812 he raised a company, and was always active and useful in town affairs. He was one of the prime movers in locating the old Mount Hope school-house and was given the honor of bestowing upon it a name. He was a Democrat in politics. He married Elizabeth Swyler, born in Germany, but came to this country when a girl. Children: John, died in Juniata county, a farmer and insurance agent; Mary, married Joseph Steager and died in Indiana; James (2), of whom further; Elizabeth, married George DeVault and died in Illinois; Jane, married William Hench and





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died in Turbett township; Margaret, married Michael DeVault and died in Illinois; Frank, died in Turbett township; Hugh, died aged seventeen years; Samuel, died in Spruce Hill township, formerly Turbett.

(III) James (2), son of James (1) and Elizabeth (Swyler) McLaughlin, was born in Turbett township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, March 4, 1817, died in the same township, March 15, 1901. He remained at the home farm until his marriage, then in 1850 purchased a farm to which he added until he had one hundred acres of fertile, well cultivated land. From 1876 until 1879 he was a commissioner of Juniata county, elected as a Democrat. He was a man of high character and held in universal esteem. He married (first) Mary Wharton, who bore him three children, now all deceased: William K., Rebecca J., married Elias Arbogast; Edward P., died in South Dakota. He married (second) Elizabeth Irvine, born in Perry county, January 2, 1821, died in Turbett township, February 15, 1901, daughter of William and Sarah (Milligan) Irvine. Her parents were both born in Saville township, Perry county, where William Irvine followed his trade of blacksmith until his death, aged forty years. His widow never remarrying, died aged sixty-nine years. Both were members of the Presbyterian church; their children were: James, died in Perry county, a farmer; Jane, died unmarried; Elizabeth, married James (2) McLaughlin; Sarah, died unmarried; John, is living in Virginia, aged eighty years. Children of James (2) and Elizabeth (Irvine) McLaughlin: John, died aged three years; James Scott, of whom further; Sarah Ann, married D. B. McWilliams, a worker in the Standard Steel Works, at Burnham, Pennsylvania, also their residence.

(IV) James Scott, only son of James (2) and Elizabeth (Irvine) McLaughlin, was born on the farm which he now owns in Turbett township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, November 29, 1859. He was educated in the public schools and Airy View Academy, and has always lived on the homestead farm. There his youth was spent as his father's assistant, later he purchased the interests of the other heirs and has since added adjoining acres. He has erected a new residence on the property and otherwise enhanced its value. Mr. McLaughlin was one of the principal organizers of the People's National Bank of Mifflin and was chosen its first president, an office he has most ably filled. He is also the owner of a grist mill at old Port Royal, and interested in other

business enterprises. He is a Democrat in politics, and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church and the Patrons of Husbandry. Mr. McLaughlin is a fine type of the business farmer, loves the soil, and the associations clinging around the old home farm have always held him closely.

He married, December 22, 1886, Blanche M. Caldwell, born at White Deer, Clinton county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Joseph and Mary (Milliken) Caldwell, who both died in Milton, Pennsylvania. Children: James I., a miller of Missouri, but a plumber by trade; Mary C., married Charles Finnefrock and resides in Mifflintown; Grace E., residing at home; Paul E., a student at Port Royal high school.

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The Creightons of Burnham, Pennsylvania, are of CREIGHTON English descent paternally, their forbears being early settlers in the Juniata Valley. William Creighton came to Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, at an early date, settling first in Decatur township, later in Derry township, at the present town of Burnham, where he died, aged eighty-eight years. He was a shoemaker and an auctioneer, successful in all his undertakings and a man much respected. He owned forty acres of land in Derry township, half of which was later sold to the Standard Steel Works, the balance yet remaining in the family. He was a Republican in politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Elizabeth Jacobs, who died in 1873. Children: Abraham, Samuel, Amanda, Mary Jane, Isaac Thompson, of whom further; William, Elizabeth and Margaret.

(II) Isaac Thompson, son of William and Elizabeth (Jacobs) Creighton, was born in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, in 1843, died August 5, 1902, in Derry township, same county. He grew to manhood in the latter township, was educated in the public school and Wright private school, later learning the carpenter's trade. He followed his trade for many years, and was also for several years employed at the Standard Steel Works. He was a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He was a man of industry and integrity, holding the respect of his community.

He married, December 31, 1872, Lucinda Herbster, born in Snyder

county, March 15, 1847, daughter of Gabriel and Hannah (Young) Herbster. He was born in Snyder county, died in Snyder county; she was born in Decatur township, Mifflin county, and died in Snyder county in 1854. Children of Gabriel and Hannah Herbster: William, a veteran of the civil war, deceased; Thomas, a veteran, now living in Snyder county; Priscilla, married Samuel Bottorff, of Downs, Kansas; Amanda, married Samuel Chestnut, of DuBois, Pennsylvania; Lucinda, married Isaac T. Creighton, whom she survives, a resident of Burnham, Pennsylvania; Hiram, Nathaniel, deceased; Jacob, deceased. Children of Isaac T. and Lucinda (Herbster) Creighton: 1. Emma Elizabeth, born November 1, 1873; married Mitchell Barr, of Yeagertown, Pennsylvania, now a foreman at the Standard Steel Works; children: Edward Creighton, Rosemond Lucinda and Kenneth Sheaffer. 2. William Andrew, born 1876, educated in the public school and Williamsport Seminary, formerly a merchant, now with the Standard Steel Works. He married Rose L. Willett, of Burnham and has children: Doris Bywater, Aerial and William Edger. 3. Edward Roy, born 1879, educated in the public school, learned the molder's trade, later that of machinist, which he now follows. He married Albertina Smith.

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The Gibboneys, of Belleville, Pennsylvania, are of GIBBONEY Welsh origin, the emigrant settling in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, prior to the revolution, in which his sons bore a part. The founder of the family in the Juniata Valley was Alexander (1) Gibboney, born in Bucks county, where he became a manufacturer of cloth. He served in the commissary department of the continental army, and later settled in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where he had a small farm of thirty acres near Belleville, then called Greenwood. There he built the first woolen mill ever erected in that section, operated it for many years, and died at the age of eighty-two years. He was a Democrat in politics, active and enterprising in business, and of high standing in his community. He married a Miss Garver, born in Berks county, of German parentage. They were both members of the Presbyterian church, and are buried in the Presbyterian cemetery at Belleville. Children: 1. Davis. 2. Alexander (2), of whom further. 3. James, for one term sheriff of Mifflin county, elected 1833, and for two terms prothonotary, first elected 1839; he married Annie Horrell,

who lived to be ninety-one years of age. 4. Benjamin. 5. Jemima. 6. Sarah.

(II) Alexander (2), son of Alexander (1) Gibboney, was educated in the subscription schools of his section, Mifflin county, and assisted his father in the woolen mill near Belleville, and later became a manufacturer of woolen goods. He was an active, energetic man and continued in prosperous business until his death. He was a Democrat and took an active interest in public affairs. He married Elizabeth Alexander, born in Kishacoquillas Valley, and with her husband belonged to the Presbyterian church. He reared a family including a son, Albert G., see forward.

(III) Albert G., son of Alexander (2) Gibboney, was born near Belleville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, August 25, 1818, died April 2, 1887. He was educated in the public school and Lewistown Academy, but all his life was a student and pursued a course of wide reading. He worked with his father in the woolen mill until he was twenty-one, then followed farming until 1861, in Union township, then established the first drug store in Belleville, in partnership with his brother, Dr. Samuel Gibboney, continuing there in successful business all his remaining years. He was a leading member of a debating society, deeply interested in nature study, and a regular correspondent for the newspapers of his section. In politics he was a Democrat, serving for twenty-five years as school director. He was deeply interested in all progressive movements in his town, and a faithful member of the Presbyterian church.

He married Penninah, daughter of John Morrison, a farmer. Children: 1. Howard Eugene, married Mary Steeley. 2. Elizabeth Alexander. 3. Granville M., born August 7, 1847, a merchant of Reedsville; married Marian Cordelia Bell; two children, Albert and Irene. 4. William Morrison, of whom further. 5. Charles Bowers, married Jennie Brindle. 6. Samuel Rush, a druggist of Salina, Kansas, unmarried. 7. Albert Victor, died aged five years. 8. Kate Morrison, died aged four years. 9. Thomas Sherman, married Margaret Fultz.

(IV) William Morrison, son of Albert G. and Penninah (Morrison) Gibboney, was born on the Gibboney homestead, near Belleville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, August 17, 1852. He was educated in the public school of Belleville, and began business life as a clerk in his



father's drug store, going from there to a similar position in a drug store at Roaring Springs, Blair county, Pennsylvania. He spent a year in the drug business in South Bend, then returned to Belleville, succeeding his father in business at the death of the latter, continuing until 1895, when he sold his interest. He took an active part in the organization of the Kishacoquillas Valley railroad, and served as treasurer during its construction. In the year 1900 he was chosen auditor of the railroad, a position he yet holds. He has prospered in business and is one of the substantial, respected men of his town. He is an elder of the Belleville Presbyterian Church, and in political faith is a Democrat, serving as postmaster from 1884 to 1892.

He married, in 1881, Letitia Strayer, born at Port Royal, Pennsylvania, died May 1, 1905, daughter of George and Susan Strayer. He married (second) in 1907, Mrs. Amelia Hassinger, of Milroy. Children by first marriage: 1. Leonore, born in 1883, deceased; married A. C. Helfrick. 2. Hazel S., born August 4, 1888; now a student at Millersville State Normal. 3. Albert G. (2), born July 17, 1893; graduate of Belleville High School, class of 1909, and post-graduate 1910; he is a druggist in Belleville in the store his father repurchased in 1912.

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Samuel Wills, the first recorded ancestor of this family in WILLIS America, was one of the very earliest settlers in Kishacoquillas valley, where he located in about the year 1780, two miles and a half south of Belleville, Pennsylvania. He was of Scotch-Irish descent, living a quiet and industrious life, and deporting himself in every respect as a worthy and most respectable citizen. He acquired a considerable amount of land and cultivated a farm which was a very large one for those days, and which at his death was divided among his several sons. A part of this original tract is still owned by a Wills, a great-grandson. He died on the homestead in 1799, and was buried in the old Kishacoquillas cemetery three miles west of Belleville. His wife was Miss Martha Brown, a sister of Judge William Brown, who was, like himself, a staunch member of the Presbyterian church and of Scotch-Irish descent.

(II) James Wills, son of Samuel and Martha (Brown) Wills, was born on his father's farm in Kishacoquillas valley near Belleville, where he grew to maturity. He was, like his father, a cultivator of the soil;

and inherited the homestead where he resided until his death in 1845. His share of the paternal property after the division, was three hundred and sixty acres; and this was divided at his death among his three surviving sons, one hundred and twenty acres to each. He married Rachel Jackson, who was born at McAlevys Fort in Huntingdon county, and had eight children: Joseph Jackson, sold his share of the homestead and died in Iowa; Samuel Brown, lived and died on his share; William John, died in childhood; James Thomas, of further mention; Margaret, deceased, wife of John W. Wilson; Mary, deceased, wife of William John Fleming; Martha, deceased, wife of John Fleming Wilson; Rachel, deceased, wife of Samuel McKinney Fleming.

(III) James Thomas Wills, son of James and Rachel (Jackson) Wills, was born December 14, 1834, on the old Wills homestead, where he passed his entire life, dying there May 2, 1900. He was a prominent man in the community in which he lived, being a member of the Republican party and serving in various township offices, supervisor, school director and as assessor for a period of nine years. He was also a member of the Presbyterian church which he served as trustee for many years. On February 1, 1866, he was married to Mary Jane Fleming, who was born on the old Fleming homestead midway between Belleville and Allensville, September 11, 1845, and died September 21, 1900. She was a member of the Presbyterian church; and was the daughter of James and Eliza B. (Wills) Fleming (see Fleming Family). Mr. and Mrs. Wills had one son, James Fleming, of further mention.

(IV) James Fleming Wills, son of James Thomas and Mary Jane (Fleming) Wills, was born at Belleville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, October 12, 1871. His education was acquired in the common schools and at Indiana State Normal School, where he graduated in 1894. Mr. Wills had, however, taught school two years prior to his graduation; and at the close of his school work at Indiana, resumed his occupation of teacher, devoting ten more years to this career in the common schools. He was principal of the Belleville High School for six years, and for one year was principal at Allensville. So satisfactory had been his career as teacher that in May, 1905, he was elected superintendent of the schools of Mifflin county, being reelected in 1908 to fill the same position, and again reelected in 1911. He was the first official in the county to be twice reelected to this position, and enjoyed the highest confidence

and esteem of his fellow citizens for the fine educational work which he achieved. Mr. Wills is a member of the Presbyterian church as all of his forefathers have been, and to which his wife also belongs. He is a member of the session in said church. Mrs. Wills, to whom he was married on October 10, 1895, was Miss Margaret May McClintic, a native of Belleville and daughter of Mr. Joseph H. McClintic, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this work. Mr. Wills owns the old family homestead and has also a comfortable home in Belleville. He and his wife have four children: Margaret Rachel, born October 13, 1898; Mary Elizabeth Jane, November 25, 1900; Nellie Allegra, October 1, 1903; James Henderson, August 29, 1904.

(The Fleming Family).

(I) The Fleming family in Pennsylvania is a very large one, having many collateral lines in descent from the original ancestor. The progenitor of the line under consideration was Robert Fleming, who located in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, in about the year 1700. He married the daughter of John Welch, whose wife was a daughter of John Knox, the Scotch apostle of Calvinism. They had a son, William, mentioned below.

(II) William Fleming, son of Robert Fleming, removed to Chester county while yet a young man, and resided near the place where Henry Wilson's house now stands. He married Mrs. Elizabeth (Wilson) Gettys, who lies buried in the old West Kishacoquillas Presbyterian cemetery. After the death of his wife he moved further west, and may have settled in Armstrong county; but this is not certain. Among his sons was Joseph, of further mention.

(III) Joseph Fleming, son of William and Elizabeth Fleming, was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, and came early to Mifflin county, probably with his father. He did not go west with his father, but settled in Menno township where he followed farming all his life. His wife was Elizabeth Martin, daughter of John Martin, a soldier of the revolutionary war, who fought at Paoli under General Wayne in 1777, and was killed there. Among the children of Joseph Fleming were James, of further mention; John, Martin, Joseph, Margaret, Elizabeth, and Ann, who died at the age of eleven years.

(IV) James Fleming, son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Martin) Flem-

ing, was born probably in Menno township, where he grew to maturity and became a farmer and land owner. He was a Democrat and a prominent man in his party in the township and county, serving one term as county commissioner and leaving a record for good administration. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, as was also his wife, who was Miss Eliza B. Wills before her marriage. They had six children: Samuel M., died on the farm in Menno township; Elizabeth, deceased, married Henry S. Wilson; Joseph Henderson, a Presbyterian minister, died in Franklin county; John Martin, retired farmer, living in Belleville; Mary Jane, married to James Thomas Wills (see Wills III); James R., a merchant of Belleville.

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This name was introduced in Pennsylvania by German YEAGER emigrants from the Valley of the Rhine, who came between the years 1710 and 1765. They settled in what was then Philadelphia county, but now included within the limits of Montgomery county. They had numerous descendants and in the revolutionary records of Pennsylvania, the names of Adam, Christian, Christopher, Andrew, Matthew, Casper, George, Frederick, Peter and John Yeager appear as brave soldiers in the war of independence. Of these Andrew is the progenitor of the line herein recorded.

(II) Andrew Yeager, who married Anna Barbara Schuster of Lachen, near Heidelberg, Germany, in 1755, was one of the earliest settlers in Lykens Valley and his name appears as one of the earliest settlers of the Lykens Valley. He served in the revolution under three enlistments. In 1776 he was a member of Captain Albright Deibler's company of Associators and was at the battles of Trenton and Princeton; in 1779, a private of Captain John Rutherford's company, and in 1781 served in Captain Martin Weaver's company. He married and left issue.

(III) John, son of Andrew Yeager, "the Patriot", was born in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, February 19, 1767, died February 19, 1835, the sixty-eighth anniversary of his birth. He purchased three hundred acres in the Lykens Valley and is said to have built the first bank barn in the valley. He was baptized and confirmed in the Reformed church and his funeral services were conducted by Rev. Isaac Gerhart, of that church, who chose for his text on that occasion a quota-



tion from Isaiah 57-2: "He shall rest in peace". John Yeager married, July 1, 1788, Catherine Rau, also of German descent. Children: six sons and three daughters.

(IV) Jacob, son of John and Catherine (Rau) Yeager, was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, March 11, 1793. He was a soldier of the war of 1812, and later moved to Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where the village of Yeagertown is named in his honor. He purchased an old flouring mill there in 1842 which stood until 1857, then was torn down, and after being rebuilt was operated by Jeremiah M., a son and later by Jesse Arin, a grandson of the founder of the family at Yeagertown. Jacob Yeager was also a farmer and a man of considerable inventive genius. He patented in 1830 a mold board for a plow that came into universal use in the United States. He married, in 1815, Mrs. Susanna Fisher, daughter of George and Barbara (Hoffman) Buffington, who bore him eight children. Susanna Buffington was a lineal descendant of Richard Buffington, born in Great Marlow, Buckinghamshire, England, 1654, and came to the United States, where, according to a statement made in the *Pennsylvania Gazette* (published in Philadelphia, for week ending July 5, 1739), his eldest son was the first English child born in the province of Pennsylvania. Susanna was a daughter of George Buffington, a soldier of the revolution and the founder of the Buffington family in the Lykens Valley. He married, September 2, 1782, Barbara, born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, May 31, 1763, daughter of Peter Hoffman, born in Germany, 1709, and came to this country in 1739 on the ship "Robert and Alice".

(V) Jeremiah M., youngest of the eight children of Jacob and Susanna (Buffington) Yeager, was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, March 26, 1832, died in Yeagertown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, December 30, 1906. He attended the public schools, but when a boy of ten years began working in his father's flour mill at Yeagertown. He continued in the milling business, and when the old mill, that had stood for over sixty years was torn down in 1859, and a new mill erected, Jeremiah M. Yeager was its proprietor and his own "head miller". He seems to have had a patriotic milling force, for during the war between the states five of his assistant millers left him to enlist in the Union army. Mr. Yeager continued in the milling business many years, prospered and built up a large business. He was quiet and unob-

trusive in manner, yet forceful, and of such upright character that his name stood as a synonym for probity, sobriety, charity and honorable dealing. The business he inherited from his father he passed on to his son, greatly enlarged, but, better still, he left a name unsullied and ranking in the commercial world among the best. He married (first) Mary J., daughter of William Creighton of Scotch and Welsh ancestry. She was born in Derry township in that part now included in Yeagertown, died March 22, 1873, aged 38. He married (second) December 22, 1874, Mrs. Anna Maria (Mann) Brisbin, daughter of William (2), founder of the Mann axe and tool works near Lewistown, Pennsylvania. The only living child of the second marriage is Bertha M., who married Charles A. Rice of Reedsville. Children of first marriage: 1. William J., now a member of Spanogle Yeager Milling Company of Reedsville and Lewistown, Pennsylvania; married, May 20, 1880, Almira Spanogle; children: Andrew J., Mary Edith and William J. (2). 2. Rev. James Martin, D. D., graduate of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, president of Drew Ladies' Seminary, 1891 to 1899; member of Pennsylvania House of Assembly in 1907-8; a preacher, orator, educator and lecturer of national fame, now residing in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. In 1907 he was appointed by President Roosevelt United States marshal for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, which office he still holds (1913). He married, October 13, 1886, Emma McElroy, of Rhinebeck, New York; children: James Creighton and Marion. 3. Jesse Orin, of whom further.

(VI) Jesse Orin, youngest son of Jeremiah M. Yeager and his first wife, Mary J. Creighton, was born in Yeagertown, Pennsylvania, May 11, 1864. He was educated in the public schools, Lewistown Academy and Dickinson Seminary (Williamsport, Pa.), whence he was graduated B. S., class of 1883. He supplemented his classical education by a course at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, New York, whence he was graduated in 1884, then returned to Yeagertown and entered the milling business with his father. He was made manager of the mills, his father's weight of years gladly yielding the burdens of business to the younger man. The history of the Yeager mills so long in the family is an interesting one. The original mill erected in 1776 was bought by Jacob Yeager in 1842, rebuilt by him in 1857 and operated by Jeremiah M. until succeeded by his son; rebuilt in 1892 and the roller

process of flour manufacture installed, and since then remodelled and modern machinery erected as new inventions came into use. Originally a flour and grist mill, the output now is entirely whole wheat flour, which is shipped all over the United States, being the only mill in Pennsylvania entirely devoted to the manufacture of whole wheat flour. The capacity is seventy-five barrels daily, employing from ten to fifteen men. In 1886 Mr. Yeager added to his milling business a coal and lumber yard and later a complete line of building materials. In 1908 he installed an electric power plant in Yeagertown, with a capacity of from three hundred to four hundred kilowatts daily, which has been furnished to the Penn Central Light & Power Company under contract. The plant is one of the most modern in the state and so perfectly appointed that for the past year (1913) not an hour has been lost. Mr. Yeager is a director of the Citizens' National Bank and secretary of the board; director of the Lewistown and Reedsville Water Company, and interested in several other corporate enterprises. He is a progressive, capable man of affairs, and possesses the entire confidence of his business associates. He is a Republican in politics and has served as supervisor of Derry township. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. The family home is at Yeagertown. He is a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle and the Patriotic Order Sons of America.

He married June 21, 1892, Josephine L. Case, of Denver, Colorado, daughter of Charles H. and Susannah (Madden) Case, of an old New England family.

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This family is of German origin, John Keister and his wife Lydia, natives of Germany, having come to this country somewhere about the beginning of the last century and settled in Lancaster or Cumberland county, Pennsylvania. They remained in the place of their first location for awhile, removing subsequently to Union county, where Mr. Keister followed the vocation of farming for many years.

(II) Levi Keister, son of John and Lydia Keister, was born in the year 1808, in Union county, where his parents made their permanent home after arriving in America, settling in Pennsylvania. He became a miller, locating at Doyles Mills, in Juniata county, removing afterward

to Lewistown, where he continued this occupation. With the idea of improving his fortunes and bettering his trade he again moved, locating successively at Oakland Mills and Gaymans Mills, and finally took up his permanent residence in Mexico, Pennsylvania, where he entered the service of the Pennsylvania railway, in which he remained until his death, in May, 1857. In his political affiliations Mr. Keister was an old time Whig. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, as was also his wife, to whom he was married while in Juniata county. She was a Miss Susanna Cooper before her marriage, and was born in Tuscarora valley, in the year 1817, dying in 1877, twenty years after the death of her husband. She was a daughter of John and Abigail (Okeson) Cooper, and was of mingled English and Dutch descent, her father having been of English ancestry and her mother's people having come from Holland. After their marriage they made their home in Tuscarora valley, where Mr. Cooper became a farmer, owning his land, which he cultivated with much profit for a number of years, the former dying in Mexico, Pennsylvania, and the latter at Port Royal. They belonged to the Baptist and Presbyterian churches. Six children were born to them: Thomas, died a few years ago at Paw Paw, West Virginia; John, died in boyhood; Samuel, died in Port Royal; William, died in Cumberland, Maryland; Mary Jane, married William Hoopes, now deceased; Susanna, became Mrs. Keister.

Mr. and Mrs. Keister had seven children: John, killed on an engine in the service of the Pennsylvania railway, March 5, 1876; Catherine, a school teacher, died unmarried in the fall of 1909, aged sixty-seven years; Albert, died young; William, died young; Joseph and Samuel A., twins, the former being engineer at the round house in Harrisburg, and the latter mentioned further.

(III) Samuel Albertson Keister, son of Levi and Susanna (Cooper) Keister, and twin brother of Joseph Keister, was born January 19, 1854, in Lost Creek Valley, near McAlisterville, Juniata county. He attended the public schools of the county until the age of seventeen years, when he entered business life as a fireman on the Pennsylvania railroad, remaining in this capacity for ten years. While a fireman he let the first dipper down on the Pennsylvania railway to take water while the train was running. Being injured in the performance of his duties as fireman on the road, he was promoted to the rank of engineer, and left



the railway service altogether in 1904 to go into business on his own account at Port Royal. Here he built a store in which he carried on a general merchandise business, making a specialty of produce. He owns a fine brick property. He has been very successful in his various industries, and is esteemed one of the most prominent citizens in the community. In politics Mr. Keister is a Republican, and so highly is he regarded among his fellow citizens that he has been called upon to serve as a member of the town council. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, as is also his wife, who was a Miss Mary McManigil; they were married October 24, 1893.

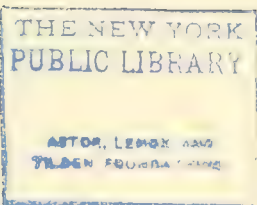
Mrs. Keister is a native of Huntingdon county, having been born May 14, 1854, daughter of John and Jennie (Rudy) McManigil, natives also of Huntingdon county. Mr. McManigil was a hotel keeper at various localities in the state—at Bellefonte, Center county, then at Petersburg, Huntingdon county, and finally at Port Royal, Juniata county. Here he retired from business, and died January 12, 1887, his wife surviving him and dying March 9, 1903. Mr. McManigil had also at one period of his life been a dealer in cattle and horses. His parents, William and Lydia (McClellan) McManigil, of Scotch descent, were also natives of Huntingdon county, their parents having been early settlers of the county and dying there. Mr. and Mrs. McManigil had four children: Mary, became Mrs. Keister; Lucretia, married J. Emery Fleisher and lives at Newport, Pennsylvania; William and John, both died at Port Royal. Mrs. Keister's maternal grandparents, Henry and Martha Rudy, were also natives of Huntingdon county; Mr. Rudy was a farmer, having lived and died in that county. His father had been a soldier in the revolutionary war. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Keister have no children.

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The first McNitt settlement in Pennsylvania was McNITT-REED in Cumberland county, near Carlisle, where five McNitt brothers, John, Alexander, Robert, William and James McNitt, settled at comparatively an early day. They were Scotchmen and came direct from their native land to Pennsylvania. In 1755 they, with the exception of James, journeyed to what is now Mifflin county, where each brother selecting a tract, settled thereon. Their farms, averaging about two hundred acres each, were in Armagh

township and warrants were issued to all, September 8, 1755. Each brother built, cleared and improved his land, and all remained thereon until death, except James, who went west and was never after heard from. All married and left descendants, who now occupy these original McNitt farms. From the branch herein described springs John McNitt, perhaps the eldest of the brothers, who married Mary Brown, of Cumberland Valley, Pennsylvania, and left sons, including: 1. John, who served with Commodore Perry in the war of 1812 and was engaged in the memorable battle on Lake Erie. A medal awarded him by Congress is now in the possession of the family. He died in Illinois, without leaving any children. 2. Robert, married Sarah Glasgow. 3. Alexander Brown, of whom further. John (1) McNitt and his sons were men of strength and endurance and lived lives of toil and hardship, as is ever the pioneer's lot, but did their full share in establishing an orderly community. They helped erect schools, churches and other evidences of a civilized people and at death bequeathed an honored name to their posterity.

(II) Alexander Brown, son of John McNitt, inherited the old homestead, upon which, after 1800, he erected a substantial stone dwelling that is yet used as a residence by his descendants. He was an industrious, prosperous farmer, and bore his part in subduing the forest and bringing prosperity to his section. He married Nancy Sterrett, born in Armagh township, daughter of David and Elizabeth Hannah Sterrett. Children: 1. Elizabeth Hannah, married Samuel Sharp and moved to Logansport, Indiana, where both died. 2. Mary Jane, married John McNitt, son of her uncle Robert McNitt and his wife Sarah Glasgow. They lived and died on the homestead he settled upon, near Salem Church. 3. Sarah, married Robert Ross and lived at Spring Mills, Center county, where both died. 4. Brown, married Vesta Marston, lived and died on a farm, adjoining his father's, now owned by his son John A. McNitt. 5. Margaret Glass, married Samuel I. Mitchell and both died on their farm near Vira, now owned by their son John Mitchell. 6. John (see sketch below). 7. David Sterrett, made his home with his brother John and there died; unmarried. 8. Agnes, married Sterrett Cummins and both died in Stone Valley, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. 9. Catherine Ann, married Robert Cummins, lived in Stone Valley, but died in Reedsville. 10. Martha, married John Mitchell, and lives in Dry Valley, the





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only survivor of this family of eleven. 11. Alexander Brown, of whom further.

(III) Alexander Brown (2), youngest child of Alexander Brown (1) and Nancy (Sterrett) McNitt, was born in the stone house on the homestead erected by his father in Armagh township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, November 28, 1837, and died August 30, 1900, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He obtained his education in the public schools of the township and became a prosperous farmer. After the death of his father he bought out the other heirs and became sole owner of the homestead to which he added materially by the purchase of adjoining acres. He also owned other lands in the township and had considerable real estate in Center county. He was a thoroughly upright and capable business man, but steadily refused all offers to enter into large business enterprises, always remaining a farmer and conducted all his business alone. He was noted for his honorable, upright dealing and was held in highest esteem. He was a Republican in politics, but beyond local offices, had no desire for public life, and although a devoted, active member of the East Kishacoquillas and later Milroy Presbyterian Church, would not accept the office of elder, modestly asserting he did not think he was a suitable person to hold that position. He married, December 21, 1865, Sarah Reed, who survives him (see Reed line). Children: 1. Abner, died aged three years. 2. David Sterrett (see sketch following). 3. Nancy Margaret, resides with her mother. 4. Andrew Reed, graduate of Bucknell University, class of 1891, and of Princeton University, class of 1895, department of electric engineering, now a lumberman, residing in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania; unmarried. 5. Rhoda McKinney, educated at Bucknell University, resides with her mother. 6. Alexander Brown, died in infancy. 7. Alexander Brown, educated at Millersville State Normal school and now resides on the old homestead. He married Edna Elizabeth Close and has: Eleanor Frances, Catherine, Elizabeth, Alexander Brown and Anna Grace. 8. Mary Taylor, educated at Millersville State Normal School, married Rev. William E. Steckel, a minister of the Presbyterian church and resides in Doylestown, Pennsylvania; child: Sarah Elizabeth. 9. Ogleby James, educated at Bucknell University, now a quarry operator and resides with his mother in Reedsville, Pennsylvania; unmarried. 10. Robert Cummins, educated at Norristown (Pennsylvania) Academy and

Pierce Business College, at Philadelphia, resides at home and is engaged in lumbering enterprises in Maryland; unmarried. 11. John Reed, died in infancy.

In 1906 Mrs. Sarah (Reed) McNitt, with her unmarried children, moved to Reedsville, Pennsylvania, where she erected a substantial brick residence on Main street, which is now her home. This residence stands on land which was sold by her father, Abner Reed, in 1839 and after a lapse of sixty-seven years returned to his daughter. Mrs. McNitt and her daughters are members of the Milroy Presbyterian Church.

(The Reed Line).

The coming of the Reed family to Juniata Valley was coincident with that of the McNitts, 1755, although the American ancestor, James Reed, first visited the valley in 1751, but did not long remain. James Reed, of Scotch ancestry and perhaps born in Scotland, came to the Kishacoquillas valley about 1751, and about one year later he was accompanied by his half-brother William Brown, who held a commission as justice of the peace from the English crown. They are said to have been the first white settlers in the valley, which they thoroughly explored before choosing a location and fixing a permanent residence. He met the famous Indian chief, Logan, at a point now known as Logan Spring, about one mile north of Reedsville, and formed a lasting friendship. James Reed returned eastward in the fall, locating at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, where he married Jane Ogleby and the following spring returned to the Kishacoquillas valley, where their son James was born during the summer, the first white child born in the valley. William Brown, who afterward became Judge Brown, gave his name to Brown township, in which James Reed took up government land with others. The Indians gave signs of hostility toward the few whites in the valley and, acting on the advice of Chief Logan, James Reed and others returned to Carlisle, remaining there until 1755, when he returned to the valley and had land patented to him in Brown township in 1755, consisting of five hundred acres, on which the town of Reedsville now stands. He cleared and improved his land, but always lived in Reedsville, his home being about in the center of the present town. He was one of the signers to a call for the first church built in the valley, now known as East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian Church. The first church was built

of logs and at the early services held there the men came armed with their rifles, as the Indians were still hostile. The log church was succeeded by one built of stone, then one of brick and finally the congregation built in Reedsville, where the church is now located. In all the plans for improvement and upbuilding his community, James Reed bore a prominent part and his long life of eighty years was filled with good deeds. He died in 1803, and is buried in Church Hill Cemetery. Children: 1. James, the first white child born in the Kishacoquillas valley, lived and died near Reedsville, a farmer. He married Nancy Milroy. 2. Mary, married John Thompson and died in New York. 3. William, married Abigail Kerr and died in Ohio. 4. Sarah, married Henry Steely, and both spent their lives on their farm at the east end of the valley. 5. Thomas, moved to New York state, where he died. He married Margaret Van Houten. 6. Andrew, married Hannah Conklin and also died in New York. 7. Alexander, lived and died in Reedsville, as did his wife Jane. 8. John, died in infancy. 9. Joseph, died in Reedsville after 1840, aged twenty-seven years; unmarried. 10. John, died aged thirty-four years; made his home with his brother Abner. 11. Jane, died young. 12. Abner, of whom further.

(II) Abner, twelfth child of James and Jane (Ogleby) Reed, was born October 1, 1787, died October 13, 1855. He was educated in the public schools, which then existed in his neighborhood and passed his entire active years engaged in agriculture. He became possessed of a large amount of improved and unimproved land and to the development of his estate he devoted his life. He lived in Reedsville many years, but spent the last ten years of his life on his back mountain farm. Both he and his wife were devoted Presbyterians and liberal supporters of the East Kishacoquillas Church. He married (first) Rebecca Henry Brown, who died in 1826, leaving three children: 1. Joseph, died in 1861. 2. Nancy Margaret, married Abner Thompson and had children: Mary, John, Ella, Walter and Edward. 3. Alexander, a farmer, married Mary L. Taylor, lived and died in Reedsville. Abner Reed married (second) Rhoda, daughter of John and Mary (Taylor) McKinney, and widow of John Brown. By her first husband she had a son who died in infancy and a daughter Mary (Polly) Ann Brown, who married Samuel W. Taylor and had a daughter, Rhoda McKinney Taylor. After being widowed a second time Mrs. Rhoda (McKinney-Brown) Reed lived

with her children until her death in 1877, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. "Polly" Ann Taylor. Children of Abner Reed and his second wife: 1. John, now president of the Reedsville National Bank and of the Farmer's National Bank of Belleville. He married Elizabeth Taylor; children: Henry Taylor and Rhoda M. 2. Andrew, graduate of Dartmouth College, a lawyer of Lewistown until his death at the home of his sister, Rebecca; unmarried. 3. Ogleby James, a farmer of part of the homestead until his death in Reedsville. He married Agnes Jane Cummins; children: John Milton, Mary Brown, Anna Cummins and James Andrew. 4. Rebecca Jane, died on shipboard en route from Japan to America and is buried in Reedsville. She married John (2) Hayes, of Brown township; children: Jane A., died young; Rhoda M., John Francis, A. Reed and Anna W. 5. Sarah, of previous mention, educated in the public schools, Ercildoun Seminary, at Coatesville, Pennsylvania, and Kishacoquillas Seminary. She married Alexander Brown McNitt, whom she survives, a resident of Reedsville (see McNitt III).

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(III) John McNitt, son and sixth child of Alexander McNITT Brown McNitt (q. v.) and Nancy (Sterrett) McNitt, was born at Siglerville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, February 7, 1824, died near Reedsville, Pennsylvania, December 9, 1900. He was educated in the public schools near Siglerville and grew to manhood at the home farm. After his marriage he purchased a farm of two hundred acres in Brown township, Mifflin county, near Reedsville, where his after life was spent. He was an energetic, capable business man, a worthy descendant of his Scotch paternal ancestor, John (1) McNitt, the founder of this branch of the McNitt family in the Kishacoquillas valley. Both he and his wife were members of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian Church, and in political faith he was a Republican, holding several township offices. He married in December, 1858, Nancy Martha Cummings, born February 19, 1837, died November 18, 1907. She was the daughter of Colonel William Cummings, an old resident of the Kishacoquillas valley, whose farm was near the center of the valley. The Cummings family descends from William (1) Cummings, of Scotch-Irish parentage, who came to America during the latter part of the eighteenth century, settling first in Lancaster county and later came to Mifflin county, where he purchased three hundred and sixty-four acres,





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on which he built a cooper shop and followed his trade. Both he and his wife Sarah died on the farm. They had children: James, Robert, Charles, Margaret, William and David, the latter of whom died young.

Col. William Cummings was a prominent farmer, a very religious man and a leader in the Seceder Church.

Children of John and Nancy Martha (Cummings) McNitt: 1. Agnes Young, born October 31, 1859, educated in Kishacoquillas Seminary, lived many years on the home farm and now resides on Walnut street, Reedsville, Pennsylvania. 2. William Alexander, born June 12, 1861, a farmer and stock raiser at Cedar Hill. He married Margaret Utts, born January 5, 1865; children: i. Plummer Elder, born March 23, 1883, married Mary Heim. ii. June Estella, born June 15, 1887. iii. Blaine Hampson, December 1, 1889. iv. Helen Cummings, September 22, 1892, married Banks Seiber. v. Hazel Margaret, September 23, 1896. vi. John Stewart, May 27, 1898. vii. William, died in infancy. 3. Jane McElheney, born January 7, 1863, died May 30, 1865. 4. Martha Alice, born January 26, 1865; married Rush Alexander Gibboney, a woolen manufacturer of Cedar Hill. Children: i. Ora Jeannette, born May 2, 1888. ii. An infant, died unnamed. iii. Dell Harrison, died in infancy. iv. Stella Webb, May 4, 1891. 5. Rhoda Henry, born September 30, 1866, married (first) Foster Taylor, who died September 10, 1900; married (second) Daniel Snyder and moved to Ohio. Children by first marriage: Mabel Cummings, born May 27, 1891; Robert Williamson, 1893. 6. Janet McElheney, born December 6, 1867, married Wilson Maxwell and resides in Logansport, Indiana. 7. Sarah Cummings, born May 15, 1869, resides in Reedsville, Pennsylvania. 8. Margaret Mitchell, born January 16, 1871, resides with her sisters in Reedsville. 9. David Homer, born June 23, 1872, a farmer near the old homestead; married Rhoda Henry. Children: John Henry, born January 9, 1899; Earl Cummings, December 28, 1901; Garver Milliken, October 7, 1910. 10. Laura, born February 25, 1874, married, February 23, 1898, Dr. Cassius Wilson and resides in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. 11. John Arthur, born October 5, 1876, a farmer near the McNitt homestead. He married Anna Elizabeth Creighton; children: John Creighton, born May 8, 1904; Paul Eugene, born March 1, 1911, died November 20, 1911.

(IV) David Sterrett McNitt, second son of Alexander McNITT Brown (2) McNitt (q. v.), and Sarah (Reed) McNitt, was born near Siglerville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, December 6, 1868, died January 25, 1913, from the result of an accident at the quarries of the National Limestone Company, at Shraders, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public schools, Lewistown Academy and new Bloomfield Academy and spent the years preceding his marriage engaged in farming. After marriage he purchased a farm of two hundred acres near Siglerville, where he resided for fourteen years. In 1898 he became interested in the lumber business, operating alone in Mifflin and Center counties and at various points in Central Pennsylvania until 1902, when he admitted his brother, Andrew Reed McNitt, to a partnership and in 1903, formed with E. M. Huyett, the McNitt, Huyett Lumber Company, which yet continues, operating chiefly in Center county, their own stores, mills and railroads. In 1907 Mr. McNitt moved his residence to Lewistown and in 1909 was one of the organizers of the Juniata Lumber Company, the firm consisting of H. C. Hower, R. C. McNitt and the McNitt, Huyett Lumber Company. The mills and timber land of this company being located at Midlothian, Maryland. He also became interested in and was a director of the Maryland Lumber Company, located at Denmar, Pocahontas county, West Virginia. This company owns seventeen thousand acres of timber land and manufactures one hundred thousand feet of lumber daily, employing two hundred and twenty-five men. He also was president of the Dana Lumber Company of Lombard, Powell county, Kentucky. While his initial enterprises, and perhaps his most important, were connected with the manufacture of lumber, he also acquired important connections with other large corporations and firms. He was president of the Lewistown Foundry & Machine Company; director of the Citizens National Bank of Lewistown; director of the Sunbury Bridge Company; the Sunbury Amusement Company; the Sunbury and Selinsgrove Electric Railway Company and was largely interested in the National Limestone Company with quarries at Naginey, near Milroy. Although one of the most active influential business men of his county, Mr. McNitt was not a man of one idea or purpose. He recognized his duties as a citizen and his obligations to his fellow men, neglecting nothing in the way of duty, nor the welfare of his community. He was chairman of the executive



committee of the Lewistown board of trade, an elder and trustee of the Lewistown Presbyterian church, a teacher in the Sunday school and a member of the public morals committee of the Mifflin County Inter-Church Federation. In political faith he was a Republican, but never sought public office. He rose to a leading position in the business world by honorable, energetic effort and his success was fairly earned. His nature was sympathetic and generous, responding to every call from those less fortunate than himself, but in a quiet, unostentatious way that effectually concealed his many benefactions. Mr. McNitt was a great church worker and when the new church edifice was erected he contributed very liberally to the fund and in other ways assisted in clearing the indebtedness. Viewed from whatever point, the short life of Mr. McNitt was a successful one and worthy of emulation.

David Sterrett McNitt married, December 22, 1892, Catherine Ann Cummins, of McAlevys Fort, daughter of Sterrett and Agnes Cummins, who survives him, a resident of Lewistown. Sterrett Cummins was a son of Robert and Mary (Sterrett) Cummins, and grandson of William and Sarah Cummins. William Cummins, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, came to this country prior to the year 1800 and settled in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He was a cooper by trade and after moving to the Kishacoquillas valley, followed his trade in connection with farming, having a shop on his farm. He prospered and in addition to his home farm of three hundred and sixty-four acres owned a large tract in Huntingdon county, Jackson township, on which he placed his son Robert as manager. Robert Cummins was also a successful farmer and an elder of the United Presbyterian church of Jackson township. He died May 27, 1858, aged about seventy-three. He married Mary, daughter of David Sterrett, who died aged seventy-two years. Children: Rev. Cyrus, married Nancy Collins; William David, died young; Samuel, died young; James, died aged thirty-two years; Elizabeth, died aged twenty-two years; Sarah, married George W. Porter; Samuel, married Catherine Smith; Nancy, married John A. Wilson; Sterrett, of previous mention, married Agnes McNitt; Jane, married Ebenezer Magill. Children of Sterrett and Agnes Cummins: Mary Alice, born May 24, 1853; Nancy Martha, September 17, 1854; Elizabeth Jane, January 22, 1856; Frances Anna, January 15, 1858; Margaret Magill, August 30, 1859; Mila McNitt, March 12, 1861; Robert Alexander, March 14, 1863;

Sarah Armetta, December 12, 1864; Catherine Ann, December 9, 1868, married David Sterrett McNitt; Adolphus McNitt, January 2, 1870; Cora, February 1, 1871; and three children died in infancy. Children of David Sterrett and Catherine Ann (Cummins) McNitt: 1. Sarah Reed, born April 17, 1894, now a student at college in New Wilmington, Pennsylvania. 2. Allen Cummins, born October 17, 1895, now a student at preparatory school. 3. Alexander Brown, died aged three years. 4. Berenice, died aged 20 months. 5. David Sterrett, born December 22, 1904. 6. Frances Anna, born September 21, 1909.

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The family of Arnolds have long been settled in Pennsylvania. They originally came from England, and many of the name are widely scattered over the United States. Thomas Arnold was among the early land owners in Perry county, Pennsylvania. He was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, in 1806. He married Mary Folk, daughter of John Folk, of Mifflin county; she was born in Mifflin county, in 1810. He eventually moved to Mifflin county, where he lived for forty years, dying at the age of eighty-three. Among his children was George, of whom further.

(II) George Arnold, son of Thomas and Mary (Folk) Arnold, was born in Perry county in 1836, died in 1898. He married Elizabeth, daughter of John Will, who was born in Germany and came to Mifflin county, where he died. Elizabeth (Will) Arnold was born in 1847 and died in 1889. George Arnold received his education in the common schools and was brought up on the farm. He was a Democrat, voting with and working for the party; and both he and his wife were devout members of the Lutheran church. Children: Isaac; Amanda; Daniel J., of whom further; John T.; Anna; Margaret E.; George H.

(III) Daniel J., son of George and Elizabeth (Will) Arnold, was born October 5, 1867, in Mifflin county. He received his education in the common schools. On leaving school he farmed, then turned his attention to railroading. In 1889 he secured a position as brakeman on the Pennsylvania road. He was made fireman and worked at this for some time. In 1898 he was promoted to the engineer's place on the locomotive, which he has held ever since. He has accumulated quite a handsome property by economy and wise investment. In 1903 he built a handsome residence at 23 North Grand street, Lewistown, where he

now resides. He also built nine other houses, seven of them he still owns, including a double one at Lewistown Junction, all of which he rents. He is a Democrat and a prominent member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married, November 7, 1889, Mary Kitting, daughter of John and Margaret (Yearick) Kitting; she was born April 12, 1872, in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. Children: Grace, born October 27, 1890; Ruth, November 19, 1893; Grant, March 30, 1895.

(The Kitting Line).

Abraham Kitting and his wife, Mary (East) Kitting, were born in Reading, Pennsylvania, there grew up, were educated and married. After marriage they moved to Lewistown, and he was a painter and chairmaker. He established a large chair factory on Valley street, in Lewistown, and superintended it until his death in 1892. He was successful in his business ventures and accumulated much property. He was a staunch Democrat, and was a member of the city council, and a devout member of the Lutheran church. Children: Kate, married John A. Loque, now dead; William, married Sallie Mathers, dead; John, of whom further; Charles, a cigar manufacturer; Abraham, cigar manufacturer on Chestnut street, married Sophia Bossinger; Mollie, dead, married Frank Wearam; Maggie, died unmarried.

John Kitting, son of Abraham and Mary (East) Kitting, was a cabinetmaker and painter; much of his cabinet work is to be found in Lewistown to-day, where it is greatly prized because of its beauty of finish. He was a Democrat, and a member of the Lutheran church. He married Margaret Yearick and to them were born six children: Mary, wife of D. J. Arnold (see above); Harry; Annie; Margaret, dead; Elizabeth; John.

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Benjamin Sharp, of Belleville, Pennsylvania, descends on SHARP the paternal side from hardy English, and on the distaff side from sturdy German stock—a combination that has made great the state of Pennsylvania, and has forged it to the front rank in the sisterhood of states of the Union. They were of that important class of citizens so necessary to the stability and upbuilding of any nation—farmers; and they have performed their duty well in the main-

taining of their section of the country. His forefathers from the first immigrant, Benjamin, landing in 1732, were farmers, and he remains one to-day. The Sharps for generations have played their part in Pennsylvania, where the original American ancestor migrated after landing. They were detailed to watch the Indians, and were appointed to garrison duty; a Sharp was in the war of the English against the French, and there were many of them in the revolutionary war. Taken all in all it is a fine record for an American family to have.

(I) Peter Sharp is the first of the immediate family of whom there is any definite record. He was born about 1752, and enlisted in the Continental army in 1776. He was in many battles, and was at Valley Forge with Washington. He married Gertrude ——, probably of German descent, as several of the children bore German names, notably that of Christian. They settled at Back Mountain, where he was a small farmer. He took up wild land, cleared and tilled it, and built thereon a substantial house of logs, and there reared a large family under many difficulties. The Indians were still troublesome and he was away from home in the war for years, during which time his heroic wife and small sons carried on the farm, provided for the family, and gave assistance to less fortunate neighbors and contributed to the revolutionary cause. He was a good, honest, upright man, and a patriot. He was highly esteemed by his neighbors. Among his sons was Christian, of whom further.

(II) Christian Sharp, son of Peter and Gertrude Sharp, was born at Back Mountain, in an humble log house. His father, as has been said, was of English descent, and his mother German, for reasons given above, the specific one being his own name. He received the minimum of education at the district school that was held only three months in the year, and if the parents of the children were hurried with the work of the farm, dairy or house, the children remained away to assist. Naturally his education was limited. He married Magdalena, daughter of Jacob and Catherine Zook, old time German settlers at Front Mountain. They were both members of the Amish Mennonite church at Front Mountain. Jacob Zook was a wealthy farmer, and lived and died at Front Mountain, where his large family of children grew to adult age. Christian Sharp owned twenty acres of highly productive land in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, and there lived and died. He was a



weaver by trade and kept a shop during middle age. He was an ardent Republican, and though working indefatigably for the ticket he never aspired to office. With his wife he was a member of the Amish Menonite church. He died about 1866, and his wife survived him until 1900. Children: 1. Benjamin, of whom further. 2. Catherine, married Samuel Gluck; lives in Belleville. 3. Gideon, deceased. 4. Barbara, deceased; married Christian Kanagy. 5. Jacob, deceased. 6. Christian, lives in Milroy, Pennsylvania.

(III) Benjamin Sharp, son of Christian and Magdalena (Zook) Sharp, was born at Front Mountain, January 28, 1844. He was educated in the schools of the home township and at Ore Bank school. He was reared on the farm of his father and remained with him on the farm after leaving school until he was grown. In February, 1872, he married Barbara E. Peachey, daughter of Jacob Peachey, a farmer and old resident of the county. After marriage he purchased a farm of eighty acres in Union township, but later sold fourteen acres. He lived there until 1904, when he erected a pretty home in Belleville, or "Mid-dletown", as it is called, and has remained there since. He does a general and successful farming. In politics he is a staunch Republican, always voting the straight ticket, but has never aspired to nor held an office. He and his wife are members of the Peachey church, giving generously toward its support. Children: 1. Died in infancy. 2. Reuben, died aged four and a half years. 3. Annie, died aged twenty-one, of consumption.

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Christian D. Druckenmiller, of Lewistown  
DRUCKENMILLER Junction, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, is an  
able representative of a thrifty American  
family of Pennsylvania. The family is a well known one in Center  
county; for centuries it has lived near the Rhine, in Germany, and there  
many of its members still make their home.

(I) Peter Druckenmiller, the progenitor of the Druckenmiller family of Pennsylvania, was born in Center county and came to Snyder county while yet a youth, about 1800. Later he located in Center county. His wife, Katie Eddinger, was born in this county and there grew up. Her parents were of German origin, and were the second generation in America. Peter married Katie Eddinger in Center county, moved to

Snyder county, and by dint of economy and thrift succeeded, with the aid of his wife, in saving enough to buy a farm, on which they lived and eventually died. Both were members of the German Lutheran church. Children: 1. Michael. 2. John, killed while serving in the civil war, as was also Peter. 3. Peter. 4. Harvey. 5. Katie. 6. Adaline. 7. Jeremiah. All but Michael born in Snyder county.

(II) Michael, first son of Peter and Katie (Eddinger) Druckenmiller, was born in 1834 in Center county, and is living in Mifflin county, Decatur township. He received his meager education in the schools of the township, and on leaving school he engaged in the blacksmith's trade, and established a smithy near his home in Decatur township. He is one of the best known and most thoroughly useful men in that part of the county, and is highly respected. He is a Democrat, voting the straight ticket, taking in it an active interest, even in his late years. He attends the Lutheran church with his wife and family. He married Rosana Frane, born April 12, 1836, in Mifflin county, a daughter of Christian Frane, who was born in Dauphin county, and came with his wife, Catharine Bishop, also born in Dauphin county, to Mifflin county about 1812, and located in Decatur township, where he was for many years a farmer and land owner. He died at the age of ninety, while his wife died while yet a young woman. He married (second) Betsy Hunt, widow of John Hunt. Children of Christian Frane by first marriage: 1. Anna, married George Reigle, a farmer in Decatur township. 2. Rosana, married Michael Druckenmiller. 3. George, a farmer in Decatur township, and a soldier in the civil war; married Liba Widemeyer. Children of Michael and Rosana (Frane) Druckenmiller: 1. Christian D., of whom further. 2. Matthew George, born February 7, 1858, a workman in Burnham; married Nettie Yetter. 3. William, born July 1, 1859, a farmer in Derry township; married Maggie Marx. 4. Peter Franklin, born December 5, 1862; a farmer in Decatur township; married Sarah Knepp. 5. Margaret, born April 12, 1865; married Kirkland Stump, a railway employee.

(III) Christian D., eldest son of Michael and Rosana (Frane) Druckenmiller, was born February 16, 1856, in Snyder county, Pennsylvania. He received his limited education, such as was afforded by the school facilities of that day, in the township, leaving it at an early age to enter the arena of life as a farmer. At first he worked as a laborer,

gradually rising until he owned his own farm, and at the present time has a valuable body of land, consisting of two hundred and seventy-six acres, under a high state of cultivation. He followed farming for six year, after which time he moved to Lewistown Junction and became a trusted employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, until 1906 when he accepted a position with the Jackson Supply Company. He has invested his earnings in four houses and lots at the Junction, one of which he occupies, renting the other three. Like his father before him, he is a staunch Democrat, supporting the party on all occasions. He is a member of the fraternal organization, the Owls, of Lewistown, in which he stands high. He has been employed by various corporations since reaching adult age and after giving up farming. He married, February 21, 1884, Amanda Arnold, born in Mifflin county, April 12, 1866, a daughter of George and Elizabeth (Wills) Arnold, of a family long established in that part of the state. To Mr. and Mrs. Druckenmiller were born: 1. Jay William, born June 23, 1889; a steel molder at the Standard Steel Works. He is a Democrat and is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and of the Owls, both lodges located in Lewistown. He married, August 5, 1910, Mary E. Brown, daughter of James and Clara Brown. They have one child, Ruth V., born July 6, 1911. 2. Anna Margaret, born July 8, 1891; educated in the public schools; unmarried. 3. Christian D. Jr., born July 10, 1894. 4. Russel, born March 3, 1900.

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The Mussers are of Swiss-German descent and came to  
MUSSEr the Juniata Valley from Lancaster county, Pennsylvania.

Their first settlement was in what is now Perry county, where the father, Samuel Musser, of Burnham, was born.

(1) William Musser was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, January 31, 1800. He grew to manhood in his native county, and there learned the miller's trade. In 1825 he moved to Spring Mills, Center county, Pennsylvania, where he operated a mill, and prior to 1845 moved to Jackson township, Huntingdon county, where he owned and cultivated a farm, also owned and operated a grist mill at McAlevy's Fort until his death in 1866. He and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Eliza E. Mayes, born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, in March, 1807, died 1885. Children: Elias, Mary Ann,

Sarah, Ellen and Elizabeth, all deceased; Samuel, of whom further; Cordilla, living; Nancy Jane and Mahala, both deceased; James Hall, a veteran of the civil war, serving in the Forty-fifth Regiment, Volunteer Infantry, now an attorney of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; John Bush, killed in 1864 in the six days' fight in the battles of the Wilderness, a private of the One Hundred and Tenth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry.

(II) Samuel, son of William and Eliza E. (Mayes) Musser, was born in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, December 11, 1835. He attended the public school of the township, and later learned the trade of millwright, which he followed for many years in the counties of the Juniata Valley. In 1859 he erected a mill for Jeremiah Yeager at Freedom Forge, near what is now Burnham, and in 1882 returned to that neighborhood and purchased the Isaac Price farm, on which Burnham partly is built. He sold twenty-two acres of his farm to the Burnham Land Improvement Company, and has also disposed of many building lots to private individuals. A part of the farm is also within the limits of Birch Hill cemetery. Mr. Musser is a director of the Lewistown Trust Company and also interested in the Reedsville National Bank. He has been very successful and has real estate interests other than those mentioned. He is interested in farming and stock raising, and is rated as one of the enterprising and substantial men of his town. He is a Republican in politics, and an ardent temperance advocate. He was the "No License Candidate" for associate judge of Mifflin county in one campaign and only failed of an election by sixty votes. He helped create the anti-liquor sentiment that in 1908 placed Mifflin county in the "No License" column which gives him more satisfaction than holding office. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Patriotic Order Sons of America and of the temperance societies of the county.

He married, July 4, 1865, Harriet Amanda Creighton, born near Burnham, daughter of William Creighton, an early settler of Mifflin county, and an influential citizen, who died in 1891. Two of his sons, Rev. Abraham and Rev. Samuel Creighton, are prominent ministers of the Methodist Episcopal church. Children: (1) James Ira, of whom further; (2) Sewell Asbury, now a merchant of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; (3) Frank M., a pharmacist with the Millard Drug Company of





*Samuel Musser*



Philadelphia; (4) William C., his father's business assistant; (5) Mary, deceased; (6) An infant daughter, died unnamed. The mother of these children died June 6, 1901.

(III) James Ira, son of Samuel and Harriet Amanda (Creighton) Musser, was born in Yeagertown, Pennsylvania, June 6, 1866. He was educated in public schools and Bloomfield Academy. For about two years he was connected with William Mann, Jr., & Company, and in 1885 became an employee of the Standard Steel Works, in a clerical capacity, continuing until the present time (1913). He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a Republican in politics. He is a member of Lewiston Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons; Lewiston Chapter, No. 186, Royal Arch Masons; Lewiston Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templar; Harrisburg Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

He married, August 22, 1889, Minnie E. Lewis, of Burnham, Pennsylvania, daughter of George W. and Mary (Ott) Lewis, the former deceased and the latter now living; Mr. Lewis was one of the organizers of the Logan Iron and Steel Company, connected with it for many years. Child of Mr. and Mrs. Musser: Lewis J.

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This family came to the Juniata Valley in 1813 from SIEBER Berks county, Pennsylvania, where Christian Sieber was born in 1801. He came to Juniata county with his parents in 1813, and became a well-to-do farmer of Fermanagh township, owning two hundred acres of good land. He married and had issue: Christian, John, Samuel, Jonas, of whom further; Solomon, Daniel, Abraham, David, married Mary Elizabeth Witmer; William, Joseph, Mary, Catherine and Elizabeth. These children all married and had families ranging in size from two to thirteen.

(II) Jonas, fourth son of Christian Sieber, was born in Fermanagh township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, and died in Walker township, in the same county. He owned a farm of one hundred acres in Walker township, there married, lived and died. Both he and his wife were members of the Baptist church. He married (first) Lydia Funk, also born in Juniata county, died in Walker township. Children: Samuel Funk, of whom further; William, now living in Missouri; Lucien, last known to have been living in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, a butcher;

Sarah, married Peter Mertz, moved to Indiana, where both died. Jonas Sieber married (second) Barbara Kauffman. Children: Gideon, now a farmer of Juniata county; Elizabeth, married Edward Beaver and lives in Foutzs Valley; Mary, married a Mr. McCauley and moved west; Eliza, married Samuel Click and lives in Walker township; Cora, died in 1907, married George Heckman.

(III) Samuel Funk, eldest son of Jonas Sieber and his first wife, Lydia (Funk) Sieber, was born in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, November 16, 1834. He was educated in the public schools and grew to manhood at the home farm. After his marriage, in 1862, he bought a farm of one hundred and fifty acres in his native township, which he cultivated successfully until 1898, when he moved to Van Wert, where he resided until his death in August, 1909. He was a Republican in politics, serving Walker township as school director. Both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church. He married, February 13, 1862, Susanna Miller, born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, who survives him, a resident of Van Wert, making her home with her daughter Nora. She is a member of the Baptist church and a lady greatly beloved by all who know her. Children: 1. Clara, married John Breniser and resides in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania; children: Ruth, Clarence and Martha. 2. Emma, married Horace G. Gaston and resides in Webb City, Missouri; children: Paul and Richard. 3. Nora, married A. J. Sausman and resides at the old home in Van Wert, with her widowed mother; no issue. 4. Annie, married George Cisney and resides in Brooklyn, New York; children: Samuel Homer, Harold and Lenore; Samuel Homer died in boyhood.

Mrs. Susanna (Miller) Sieber is a granddaughter of George and Barbara (Manbeck) Miller, both born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania. After their marriage they moved to Locust Run, Juniata county, where George Miller was a merchant and farmer, and where both died. Isaac, son of George and Barbara Miller, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania. He there resided until two years after his marriage, when he moved to Walker township, Juniata county, where he engaged in farming until his death at the age of thirty-five years. Both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. He married Margaret Benfer, daughter of Daniel and Susanna Benfer, old residents of Snyder county, where Daniel Benfer owned and operated a mill. Mrs. Margaret (Ben-



fer) Miller survived her husband, remarried, and died in 1909, aged eighty-five years. Children of Isaac and Margaret Miller: Susanna, the widow of Samuel Funk Sieber; Delilah, married Harrison Crist and died in Ohio; Henry, now living near Mexico, Pennsylvania, a carpenter; Mary, widow of James Weaver; Ellen, married Frank Myers and resides in Ohio; Isaac, now a farmer of Walker township.

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The father of Edwin Cross of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, CROSS was born in Lancashire, England, where he died in 1869 at the youthful age of thirty-four years. In 1881 his widow, Mary (Allan) Cross, also born in Lancashire, came to the United States with her son Edwin, but in 1886 she returned to England, where she died in 1906, aged seventy years. James Cross was a leather merchant, located at Manchester, England, where he was well established in a good business until his early death. Children: Henry, now of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Hannah, residing in England; Edwin, of whom further; Charles, residing in England.

(II) Edwin, son of James and Mary (Allan) Cross, was born in Manchester, England, January 21, 1865. He attended the public and technical schools of Ramsbottom, Lancashire, and in 1881 came to the United States, accompanied by his widowed mother. He located in New York, where he began an apprenticeship in a foundry, working in New York and Philadelphia several years, then going to England, where he finished his trade, becoming an expert workman, and thoroughly familiar with foundry details. He then returned to the United States, locating in Philadelphia, where he worked for the Chambers Brothers a number of years, then for a time worked in a foundry at Chester, Pennsylvania. He then moved to High Bridge, New Jersey, where he was engaged in steel manufacture. In 1898 he located in Lewistown, and for ten years was in charge of the foundries of the Standard Steel Works at Burnham. In 1908 he formed a connection with the Mount Rock Foundry and Machine Company, which was later merged with the Lewistown Foundry and Machine Company, and of the reorganized company Mr. Cross is general manager. His long and intimate connection with the foundry and steel business has given him valuable experience and renders him particularly useful in capably managing this important trust. In politics he is a Republican, and is a popular member of the fraternal

societies of Lewistown. He is a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons; Lewistown Chapter, No. 186, Royal Arch Masons; Lewistown Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templar; the Royal Arcanum; Lewistown Lodge, No. 97, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Modern Woodmen of America.

Edwin Cross married, in 1888, Emma Redfern, in Ramsbottom, England, died in Lewistown, February 20, 1912. Children: Jane and Annie.

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The first Utts of record in this branch was Wilson S. Utts, UTTS who came when a young man to Belleville, Mifflin county.

The name is no doubt a form of the German Utz, but in its present spelling Utts has existed for at least three generations. Wilson S. Utts, born in 1822, died in 1871. He worked at the tinning business in Belleville, later erected a building and established a hardware store, which he successfully conducted. He married Margaret Hampson, born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, in 1826, died in Belleville in 1871.

Hampson S., son of Wilson S. and Margaret (Hampson) Utts, was born in Belleville, January 27, 1848, died March 28, 1912. He was educated in the public schools and on arriving at a suitable age learned the tinner's trade, working with his father until the death of the latter in 1871. He then succeeded to the hardware and tinning business, founded by his father, at first with his mother, but later alone, and most successfully conducted it until 1905, when he sold out to his brother, Wilson S. Utts, Jr., who now owns and operates the business, which has been in the family for over sixty years at the same stand. Hampson S. Utts was careful and conservative as a business man, upright in all his dealings, and although handicapped from his fourteenth year by entire deafness, was one of the successful men of his town, living during his last seven years retired from all business in the home on Main street, now the residence of his widow. In politics he was a Democrat, and both he and his wife were communicants of the Lutheran church.

Hampson S. Utts married in December, 1874, Ellie E. Smith, born in Mechanicsville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, January 4, 1852, who survives him, a resident of Belleville. She is the daughter of George and Maria (Haffley) Smith; he was born in Center county, January 25, 1826, coming to Mifflin county when a boy with his widowed mother,

Elizabeth (Hubler) Smith. He learned the carpenter's trade and chair-maker's trade with his stepfather, John Klepper. George Smith died July 5, 1886. His wife, Maria Haffley, was born in Mifflin county, April 7, 1831, died September 6, 1872; children: Ellie E., of previous mention, widow of Hampson S. Utts; Joseph Haffley, Laura A., Lavanda Irene, Mary Jane, John C., Sarah Margaret, Samuel George and Jessie Adams. Children of Hampson S. and Ellie E. Utts: 1. Mabel Clare, born November 19, 1875, died in 1880. 2. Cora Maud, born October 24, 1881, educated in the public school, Irving College and Susquehanna University; she taught two years prior to her marriage, February 24, 1903, to Jesse Cloyd Horton, son of Isaac Horton; children: Jesse Ellwood, born September 10, 1904, and Harold Hampson, born March 9, 1908. 3. Son, born November 9, 1887, died unnamed. 4. George Wilson, born March 6, 1894, graduate of Belleville High School, class of 1912.

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The Shatsers came to Lewistown from Franklin SHATSER county, Pennsylvania, where David Shatser was born in July, 1812, and lived until about 1892. He lived for a time in Center county, then settled in Lewistown, where he worked at his two trades, carpenter and shoemaker. He was first a carpenter, but while working on the Presbyterian church fell and so injured himself that he was obliged to select a trade requiring less activity. He then turned his attention to shoemaking, following that occupation for many years; he died in 1892. He resided in the sixth ward of Lewistown from 1870 to 1892. In earlier life a Whig, he entered the Republican party at its formation and always remained an ardent supporter of that political organization. In religious faith he was a Lutheran. He married Mary, daughter of Nicholas Gross, an early settler of Franklin county, who died in Center county, Pennsylvania, in 1863. Children: Exann, Amos Alexander, Richard, of whom further; David, a veteran of the civil war, died in a soldiers' home; Frederick Galvin, John Henry and Thomas W.

(II) Richard, son of David and Mary (Gross) Shatser, was born in Center county, Pennsylvania, October 12, 1844. He attended the public schools and when his parents came to Lewistown remained three years with his grandfather, Nicholas Gross, later joining the family in

Lewistown. In February, 1862, being then in his eighteenth year, he enlisted in Company F, One Hundred and Seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, commanded by Colonel McCoy, serving with the Army of the Potomac until August 19, 1864, when he was captured by the Confederates and sent to Libby Prison in Richmond, Virginia. Later he was sent to Belle Isle, thence to Salisbury, North Carolina, where he was confined until the latter part of February, 1865, when he was released and came home on furlough in March, 1865; at Annapolis, Maryland, he joined his regiment in May, remaining until July 13, 1865. He then entered the employ of the Glay-Morgan Iron Company, with whom he remained twenty years; and in 1890 he was employed in the treasury department at Washington, D. C., where he remained three years. He is now private watchman for George L. Russell, a position he held with Mr. Russell's father, before the war, in the same bank, and has been so engaged since 1894. He is a Republican in politics, has served as borough councilman, and for the past fifteen years has served on the local board of health. He has always been interested in the work of the borough fire department and rendered efficient service in raising funds to erect the building now occupied by Brooklyn Hose Company, No. 3. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and in all things a consistent, useful citizen.

He married, in 1867, Mary Ellen Coffman, born in Derry township, Mifflin county, died in 1882, daughter of Eunie Coffman. After his marriage Mr. Shatser moved to the sixth ward, where he yet resides. Children: 1. Harry, married Rosa Clinger and has a daughter Catherine. 2. Bertha, married John Riden, whom she survives; children: Mary, Richard, May, Anneta, Marion, Edna and Lillian. 3. Amos A., married Mamie Carl and has: Jeannette, Marion and Amos Richard.

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The Reeds of Reedsville, Pennsylvania, are of Scotch ancestry, James Reed, the first of the family, settling near Carlisle, Pennsylvania, before coming to Mifflin county. About the year 1751 he came with his half-brother, William Brown, a justice of the peace under the King. They thoroughly investigated each part of the Kishacoquillas Valley before choosing a location in what is now Brown township, Mifflin county. While in the Valley, Mr. Brown was drinking at the later well-known "Logan Spring" when the famous



Indian Chief Logan suddenly appeared. Brown at once prepared to fight, but Logan extended his hand in friendship and an acquaintance was there begun that was lasting and of great value to the two young pioneers, probably the first settlers in that valley. On this visit James Reed selected land that was later patented to him and on which Reedsville now stands. In the fall the young men returned to Carlisle, where James Reed married during the following winter Jane Ogleby. In the spring he came with his bride to the Kishacoquillas Valley, and built a log cabin, in which his son James, the first white child born in the valley, first saw the light. He cleared and improved his land, his home being at what is now about the center of the village of Reedsville. He was a Presbyterian and signed a call for the first church built in the valley and helped to build the first log church in which was formed the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian Church, now located in a handsome church in Reedsville, but the first church standing on a hill three-quarters of a mile away.

The Indians were still troublesome, and at the early services held in the log house James Reed and the other men always carried their rifles. Mr. Reed became a prosperous land owner and farmer and bore a prominent part in all the undertakings for the settlement and development of Reedsville, named in his honor. He died in 1803, after a long, useful life of eighty years, and is buried in the Presbyterian cemetery at "Church Hill," the site of the first log church he helped to build. His original farm of five hundred acres, patented to him in 1755, is yet partly owned in the family.

Children of James and Jane (Ogleby) Reed: 1. James, the first white child born in Kishacoquillas Valley, lived and died near Reedsville, a farmer; he married Nancy Milroy. 2. Mary, married John Thompson; died in New York. 3. William, married Abigail Kerr; died in Ohio. 4. Sarah, married Henry Steely and both spent their lives on their farm at the east end of the valley. 5. Thomas, moved to New York state, where he died; he married Margaret Van Houten. 6. Andrew, married Hannah Conklin; also died in New York. 7. Alexander, lived and died near Reedsville, as did his wife Jane. 8. John, died in infancy. 9. John, died in Reedsville after 1840. 10. Joseph, killed in a race at age of twenty-seven years, unmarried. 11. Jane, died young. 12. Abner, of whom further.

(II) Abner, twelfth child of James and Jane (Ogleby) Reed, was born in Reedsville, Pennsylvania, October 1, 1787, died October 13, 1855. He was educated in the public schools that then existed in his neighborhood, and passed his entire active years engaged in agriculture. He became possessed of a large amount of unimproved land and to the development of his estate he devoted his life. He lived in Reedsville many years, but spent the last ten years of his life on his Back Mountain farm. Both he and his wife were devoted Presbyterians and liberal supporters of the East Kishacoquillas church.

He married (first) Rebecca Nancy Henry, daughter of William and Nancy (Beatty) Henry, he an early settler and farmer. She died in 1826, leaving three children: 1. Joseph, died in 1861. 2. Nancy Margaret, married Abner Thompson; children: Mary, John, Ella, Walter. 3. Alexander, of whom further. Abner Reed married (second) Rhoda, daughter of John and Mary (Taylor) McKinney, and widow of John Brown. By her first husband she had a son who died in infancy and a daughter, Mary ("Polly") Ann Brown, who married Samuel W. Taylor and had one daughter, Rhoda McKinney Taylor. After being widowed a second time, Mrs. Rhoda Reed lived with her children until her death in 1877 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Polly Ann Taylor. Children of Abner Reed and his second wife: 1. John, now president of the Reedsville National Bank and of the Farmers National Bank of Belleville; married Elizabeth D. Taylor; children: Henry Taylor and Rhoda M. 2. Andrew, graduate of Dartmouth College; a lawyer of Lewistown until his death at the home of his sister Rebecca Jane, unmarried. 3. Ogleby James, a farmer of part of the homestead until his death in Reedsville; married Agnes Jane Cummins; children: John Milton, Mary Brown and Ann Cummins. 4. Rebecca Jane, died on ship-board en route from Japan to America and is buried in Reedsville; married John (2) Hayes, of Brown township; children: Jane A., died young; Rhoda M., John Francis, A. Reed and Anna M. 5. Sarah, educated in the public schools; Ercildoun Seminary at Coatesville, Pennsylvania, and Kishacoquillas Seminary; married Alexander Brown McNitt, whom she survives, a resident of Reedsville.

(III) Alexander, son of Abner and Rebecca Nancy (Henry) Reed, was born at the Reed homestead farm, where the village of Reedsville now stands, October 11, 1823. His mother died when he was very



*Alexander Reed*

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young, but he was reared under the wise guidance of his father, whose second wife gave him a mother's care. He attended the Reedsville schools and remained with his father until reaching legal age. In 1844, in partnership with his brother, Joseph, he began farming and cattle dealing. After carrying on his business successfully on a large farm which they owned, part of the original Reed tract, they began the manufacture of grain drills in Reedsville, also a successful venture. In 1852, enticed by the "lure of gold," Alexander Reed made the journey to California, via Nicaragua, arriving safely at Sacramento City after a long and dangerous trip. At Sacramento he contracted typhoid fever, but after a serious illness recovered sufficiently to enter government employ, being too weak for work in the mines. He was in the party under Generals Denver, Raines and Estelle, who commanded an overland relief train for the succor of emigrants, making their way to California across the Rocky and Sierra mountains. A few months spent with this party in the healthful outdoors of that section completely restored his health, and on his return to Sacramento he continued under the employ of General Estelle and the State of California on guard at San Quentin. In 1856, after four years absence, he returned to Pennsylvania via Panama. He resumed farming at Reedsville and so continued until a few years prior to his death. He was a friend of all improvement and aided materially in the upbuilding of his home town. He was a Republican in politics, always interested in local political affairs, but never an office-seeker.

He finally retired and removed to Reedsville, where he built a residence in 1898, and there died June 5, 1899. Both he and his wife were active members of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian Church, and in 1892 and 1893 he was president of the building committee in charge of the new church erected in Reedsville by that congregation, after worshipping on "Church Hill" one hundred and ten years. He was a warm friend of the cause of education and gave his children the benefit of the best advantages the section afforded.

Alexander Reed married, September 29, 1858, Mary Lyon Taylor, born in the Kishacoquillas Valley, December 23, 1837, who survives him, a resident of Reedsville. She is a daughter of Henry P. and Elizabeth (Forsythe) Taylor, granddaughter of Samuel Williamson and Elizabeth (Davis) Taylor, and a great-granddaughter of Captain Henry Taylor.

an officer of the revolution, and his wife, Rhoda (Williamson) Taylor. Captain Taylor was a son of Nathaniel Taylor, who lived near Philadelphia, a Scotch-Irish settler, who probably died soon after his arrival as no further trace of him is found. Henry P. Taylor lived and died in the Kishacoquillas Valley, a farmer and a member of the Pennsylvania legislature in 1852 and 1853. He died in 1902, aged ninety-three years; his wife died in 1840 at Bedford Springs, Pennsylvania, leaving two daughters: Mary Lyon, now widow of Alexander Reed, residing in Reedsville; Elizabeth, deceased. Children of Alexander and Mary Lyon (Taylor) Reed: 1. Elizabeth, married John McDowell, of Reedsville; children: Alexander Reed and Mary Lyon McDowell. 2. Mary, married William S. Ellis, of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, whom she survives. 3. Henry Taylor, a farmer of the old homestead; married Sarah Means; children: Mary Kyle, Alexander, Elizabeth. 4. Abner Joseph, a farmer, residing with his mother. 5. Lillie Henry, married Rev. Samuel T. Linton, of Ridley Park, Pennsylvania; child: Mary.

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William Foy was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, in FOY 1831, died in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. He was left an orphan at an early age and was reared by an uncle, Henry Arent, of Ferguson Valley, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He attended the public school, and worked at farming until 1888, when he came to Lewistown. He prospered, and at his death owned considerable land and several houses. He was a Republican in politics, and a member of the Lutheran church.

He married, February 14, 1875, Ellen Lynch, born in Ferguson Valley, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, March 28, 1836, now deceased, daughter of Lawrence and Bertha (Nelson) Lynch, both born in Ireland, coming when young and settling in Ferguson Valley, where Lawrence Lynch died in 1884. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Lynch: 1. Dr. Horatio L., a physician, shot and killed by a negro while sitting in a chair in his own office. 2. Catherine, married Samuel Logan, and died in 1878. 3. Margaret, married James Mackey, and lives in Ferguson Valley. 4. Ellen, of previous mention. 5. Henry, died in Colorado. 6. Mary, married Albert Kerns, of Frankfort, Indiana. 7. Lawrence, deceased. Children of William and Ellen (Lynch) Foy: 1. Florence, died in April, 1870, aged twenty-one years. 2. Effie, married George K.

McCurtis, and died in 1883, aged twenty-two years. 3. Maud, died February 19, 1877, aged fifteen years.

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The Zinns are of ancient German ancestry, the founders of ZINN this branch coming from Berlin in 1868. The grandchildren of Andrew Zinn comprise the third generation in the United States, and the second of American birth. The founders, Andrew and Margaret (Deal) Zinn, were both born in Berlin, Germany. He was educated in his native land, learned the shoemaker's trade, married, and in 1868, at the age of thirty-nine years, came to the United States, settling at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. He was weighmaster at the coal wharf for twenty-five years. He was a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Reformed church. He died January, 1907, aged sixty-eight years. His widow still survives, aged seventy years. Children: J. Phil., John H., of whom further; Harry John, Edward A., Katherine, Charles, George, Frank, all living. ,

(II) John H., son of Andrew and Margaret (Deal) Zinn, was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, May 5, 1868. He was educated in the public school, and until he was nineteen years of age remained in Huntingdon. In 1887 he came to Lewistown, and there learned the carriage builder's trade. He established in business for himself, and in 1907 built his present plant at No. 90 Montgomery street. His residence is at No. 25 Depot street. Mr. Zinn prospered and is held in high esteem as a business man and citizen. He is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Lutheran church. His fraternal order is the Knights of the Maccabees.

He married, in 1898, Millie Montgomery, daughter of Robert H. Montgomery, formerly of Lewistown, now deceased. Child, Margaretta, born December 25, 1900.

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This record of the Hughes family begins with Theophilus Hughes, a drummer boy of the war of 1812. He was a resident of Pennsylvania, there married and reared a family which included a son, Ellis.

(II) Ellis, son of Theophilus Hughes, was born in Pennsylvania in 1800, there grew to manhood, married Catherine McDarah and moved to Champaign county, Ohio, where his wife died in 1843. Ellis Hughes

then returned to Pennsylvania, settling in Columbia, and later was a resident of York county. He was for some time a pilot on the Susquehanna river. Later he again went west and died in Galena, Illinois, in 1885. He was a Democrat in early life, but after the civil war became a Republican. In religious faith he was a Methodist. Children: Whilden, Grant, Mary, Joseph W., of whom further.

(III) Joseph W., son of Ellis and Catherine (McDarah) Hughes, was born in Urbana, Ohio, September 16, 1840. His mother died when he was a child of two years, and he was reared by an aunt, Mrs. Joseph Weaver, of Pottsville, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public school, and in 1854, being then fourteen years of age, he began working in a drug store at Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, remaining there until 1861 and becoming thoroughly familiar with the drug business. In April, 1861, he enlisted in the York (Pennsylvania) Rifles, and later served in the Fifty-fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry. He was a prisoner of war nine months, seven of which he spent at Andersonville. He served four years and two months, receiving honorable discharge at the close of the war. He then returned to Mechanicsburg, where he was for a time clerk in a hardware store, later operated a bakery. In 1871 he came to Lewistown and there entered the employ of The Francis Hardware Company. He was appointed manager of their store at Mifflintown, Juniata county, there remaining seventeen years. He was then appointed manager of their Lewistown store, holding that responsible position thirteen years. He then resigned, and until his retirement was engaged in the retail coal business. In 1909 he retired from active business, but has been interested in improving his property on Valley street by the erection of residences at Nos. 149-151-153. He is a Republican in politics, has served on the borough council, and at the session of the state legislature in 1911 was appointed doorkeeper. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Pennsylvania, and of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons, having been made a Mason in Mechanicsburg Lodge, No. 302. He is president of Lewistown Board of Trade and was president of the Mifflin County Mutual Insurance Company from its organization until January 1, 1912. He is a man held in high esteem by all.

Mr. Hughes married, in 1869, Carolyn Hopper, who died in 1871, daughter of Martin Hopper, of Lewistown, a pioneer settler. Children



of Joseph W. and Carolyn Hughes: 1. Robert T., married Catherine Owens, of Lewistown. 2 Carolyn, married Charles M. Rice, of Lewistown.

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This family came to Pennsylvania from Germany, and in RICE early records the name is written in the German style, Rees. It was soon anglicized and became Rice. The founder of the family, Zachariah (also written Zachary) Rice, was one of the thirty thousand German emigrants who landed in Philadelphia between the years 1727 and 1776. He was born in Germany in 1731, and in his native land learned the trade of millwright. He came to Philadelphia in the ship "Edinborough" and at once took the oath of allegiance to the King of England. His first work of importance was to build a mill for the separating of clover seed. The machinery has disappeared, but the mill, built on Pickering creek, near Pikeland station, Chester county, is still standing.

In 1757 he married Maria Appolonia (afterward called Abigail to shorten the name) Hartman, daughter of Johannes and Margaret Hartman, German emigrants, who came in 1750. She was born September 4, 1742, in Germany, died November 6, 1789, the mother of twenty-one children, seventeen of whom walked in procession to her grave. Her grave at Pikeland church is lost, the stone having been destroyed. The young couple began housekeeping on a farm in Pikeland township, where in addition to farming he worked at his millwright trade and at carpentering. During the revolution he worked on the government hospital, built at Yellow Springs, in Pikeland, for the sick and wounded soldiers, and also did other work for the government. He prospered and purchased the farm of two hundred and five acres on which he lived. In May, 1786, he purchased one hundred and ten acres additional. He built in 1767 a stone house and there his children were born. They attended St. Augustine's Lutheran Church at the Trappe, thirteen miles away, until 1771, when St. Peter's Church, a log church edifice, was built at Pikeland.

During the revolution the hospital at Yellow Springs was filled with wounded soldiers, to whom Mrs. Rice was a frequent visitor, carrying food and delicacies. During these visits she contracted typhus fever, from which she never fully recovered. After the battle of Brandywine,

it is said Washington, retreating across Chester Valley, stopped at the Rice home, receiving from the hands of Mrs. Rice a cooling, refreshing drink. Here they lived in peace and prosperity until the spring of 1789, when his farm was seized by the foreclosure of an old English mortgage. Zachary Rice and one hundred and thirteen other farmers lost their entire property, through the rascality of Andrew Allen, a Philadelphia merchant and a member of the Continental congress, who mortgaged the tract and divided it into two and three hundred acre farms, which he sold to the German emigrants, as they arrived, and who trusted him so entirely that they did not question his title. Zachary not being able to redeem his property, it was sold and immediate possession taken. A few months later his wife died and the old emigrant's cup of sorrow was full. But he was made of stern material, and in 1790, with his seventeen children, five of whom were married, he started westward in search of cheaper land. They crossed the Susquehanna at Harrisburg and settled in Milford township, now Juniata county. They had brought their household goods with them in wagons and soon obtained land, built log houses and began clearing. The Indians had all disappeared, their foes being the wild beasts. Zachary bought the tract upon which he settled in 1700 and paid for it in 1801, five thousand dollars, the result of his farming, lumbering and mill building operations, in which he was assisted by his unmarried children. He cut and drew to the site the first log used in the erection of Lebanon church, built at Loysville, Perry county, in 1794, and continued at hard labor until a few years before his death, then spending his time traveling around among his children, settled in Juniata, Perry and Mifflin counties. He died August 11, 1819, aged eighty years, and was buried at Church Hill, Juniata county, Pennsylvania. He was the grandfather of one hundred and forty-seven children, and the great-great-grandfather of eight thousand and thirty-six Rice descendants. His son, John Rice, was appointed administrator, and on January 1, 1803, Jacob Rice bought the farm, paying five thousand and seventy-six dollars therefor. The administrator's accounts, dated November 3, 1812, show heirs: John, Peter, Jacob, George Conrad, Zachariah, Henry, Benjamin, Elizabeth, Margaret, Susannah, Mariah, Mary, Sally, Kitty, Betsey and Polly, the seventeen living children. The family were noted for their longevity, eighty and ninety years being the usual age. All were men of athletic build, hard workers and good

citizens. From this old German "patriarch" sprang Jacob Rice, grandfather of Charles Miller Rice, of Lewistown.

(III) Jacob (2), a grandson of Zachariah and Abigail (Hartman) Rice, was born in Perry county, probably a son of Jacob (1) Rice, who settled first in Juniata county, later in Spring township, Perry county, and left sons, Jacob (2) and Henry. Jacob (2) Rice was a farmer. He married a Miss Haynaker and had eleven children.

(IV) Frank, son of Jacob (2) Rice, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, in 1846. He grew to manhood in Perry county, learned the carriage building trade, married, and moved to the state of Indiana, where he remained three years. He then returned to Pennsylvania, locating in Lewistown, where he followed his trade until 1912. He then joined his son in the management of the Juniata Poultry Farm, in which business he is now successfully engaged. He specializes in the raising of White Leghorn, White Orpington and White Rock chickens, and White Holland turkeys, and has a plant rapidly increasing in value.

He is a veteran of the civil war, having served with the Two Hundred and Fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was engaged in many of the hard battles fought by the Army of the Potomac, including the Seven Days' fighting before Richmond, Antietam, Petersburg. He is a Republican in politics, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. He married Isabel Miller, born in Mifflin county in 1847, daughter of Christian Miller, who was born in Saxony, Germany, came to the United States about 1840 with his wife and settled in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. He drove a stage coach over the mountains in the early days, later was manager of the Pennsylvania railroad station in Lewistown, continuing until 1876, when he purchased a farm three miles from the town on which he lived until death. His children were: William and Charles, both deceased, and Mabel, wife of Frank Rice. Children of Frank Rice: 1. Annie E., married G. A. Shiveley and resides at Altoona, Pennsylvania; children: Frank, Isabel and Dorothy. 2. William M., married Emma Cherry and resides in Altoona; children: Charles and Austin. 3. Charles Miller, of whom further.

(V) Charles Miller, youngest son of Frank and Isabel (Miller) Rice, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, September 23, 1873. He was educated in the public school and later took a special course at East-

man's Business College, Poughkeepsie, New York. In 1889 he entered the employ of David Grove, a grocer of Lewistown, as clerk, and continued in his employ until 1902, when he was admitted to a partnership, the firm becoming Grove & Rice. They are located at No. 16 East Market street, and have a well-stocked store and a prosperous business. He is also interested in Lewistown real estate and with his father in the poultry business. He is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America and the Royal Arcanum; is a Republican in politics and, with his wife, belongs to the Methodist Episcopal church.

He married, in 1903, Carolyn Hughes, born in Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Joseph W. Hughes. She came to Lewistown with her parents when she was a babe. Children: Carolyn, born February 25, 1905; Marjorie, August 24, 1911.

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The paternal ancestor of Daniel Rowe Stratford, of  
STRATFORD Lewistown, Pennsylvania, was Thomas Stratford,  
who lived and died in England. Both he and his  
wife were members of the Presbyterian church. Children: 1. Sabina.  
2. Julia. 3. Frederick, an eminent educator, who for his services in  
the English schools was pensioned by the government in his latter years;  
he was also a well-known and accomplished vocal musician, for years a  
member of the choir of one of London's famous churches. 4. Wil-  
liam. 5. Charles John, of whom further. 6. Angeline, who married a  
Mr. Higgins and moved to Benton county, Iowa.

(II) Charles John, son of Thomas Stratford, was born in England in 1818, died in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, May 6, 1893. He was educated in the public school, and at the age of eighteen years left his home and native land. In 1836 he came to the United States, landing in Philadelphia, and there working for a time on the wharves as stevedore. He soon left the city and in a short time was located at Easton, Pennsylvania, where he learned the trade of marblecutter, serving an apprenticeship of nearly seven years. His employer was a hard drinker and treated his apprentice with such severity that he would not remain his full term, but paid his employer to release him six months sooner. He then located in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, where he worked at his trade, forming a partnership with a Mr. Kemmerling. They were a successful firm and through their united efforts established a prosperous marble yard.



Mr. Stratford was an expert worker in marble, and to his artistic designing and fine workmanship many fine monuments and gravestones in the Juniata Valley bear silent testimony. Mr. Kemmerling later sold out to his partner, and for forty years thereafter Mr. Stratford conducted a large and prosperous business. Although devoted to business and a man of great energy, he was public-spirited, a student, and kept pace with the thought of his day. He was a student of Greek and Latin, and a great lover of books, owning a good library consisting of the best classic literature of the English and other languages. He embraced the cause of temperance with all the ardor of his nature and would often walk fifteen or twenty miles to deliver a temperance lecture. He gained more than local fame as a lecturer and worker for temperance, and in 1870 visited England in the interest of the cause. So highly was he regarded that he carried abroad, among his credentials, a letter from Governor John W. Geary, over his own signature, and the great seal of the state of Pennsylvania, recommending him to the confidence of the English people as a "good citizen and of high character, especially distinguished for his active labors on behalf of temperance reform." While in England, Mr. Stratford established a lodge of the then popular temperance fraternity known as the Order of Good Templars. This was the first lodge of that order to be organized in England. After his return from England he continued his active temperance work, only death causing him to cease from his labors.

He married, January 16, 1837, Catherine, who died aged sixty-five years, daughter of Daniel Rowe, of German descent, and an old settler in Lewistown, where he died leaving a large family. Children of Charles John and Catherine (Rowe) Stratford: 1. Temperance, died aged three years. 2. Charles, married Elizabeth Gray. 3. Loveday Susan, deceased; married Timothy Swany. 4. Frederick, married Elizabeth M. Kramer. 5. Prudence, married Alfred Smithers. 6. Annie E., died aged about twenty-three years. 7. Daniel Rowe, of whom further. 8. Laura Helen, married Grafton Anderson and moved to Dakota.

(III) Daniel Rowe, seventh child of Charles John and Catherine (Rowe) Stratford, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, May 21, 1852. He attended the public schools and Lewistown Academy until he was fifteen years of age, then spent two and a half years in Iowa, working on a farm. He then returned home and began learning the stone

cutter's trade under the instruction of his father. In 1870 Charles John Stratford retired, his son Charles succeeding him. Daniel R. continued his years of apprenticeship under his brother, becoming an expert workman and a capable artistic designer of monuments and ornamental marble work. In 1878 he started in business for himself, competing with his brother for ten years. In 1888 the two yards were consolidated under the firm name, The Lewistown Marble and Granite Works. The brothers conducted a prosperous business, both were splendid workmen and capable business men with enviable reputations as honorable and trustworthy business men. In 1906 they were awarded the contract for erecting the Soldiers and Sailors' Monument, now standing in the public square at Lewistown. Before this contract was completed, the partnership existing between the brothers was dissolved, Charles Stratford retiring, Daniel C. continuing the business and completing the contract. The monument, sixty feet in height, was designed by D. C. Stratford from an idea suggested by Dr. Parcels, a member of the committee, and was erected with but slight change from the plans as submitted by Mr. Stratford and is a fitting memorial to the brave dead. Since becoming sole owner, he changed the name of the firm and it is now The Stratford Marble and Granite Works. His business has wonderfully increased in the past six years, the volume having doubled, and extends over the counties of Mifflin, Center, Juniata, Huntingdon and Perry. He is a Republican in politics, a member of the Royal Arcanum, and both he and his wife members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is public-spirited and helpful in all that tends to the public good, and is held in highest respect by his community.

He married, October 28, 1875, Mary E., daughter of Jacob and Julia Ann (Brown) Ettinger, of German descent, both deceased. Children: 1. Harry, born November 29, 1877, died aged eleven months. 2. Laura Edith, born 1891, died 1894. 3. Charles E., born 1876. 4. Sarah Grace, born October 8, 1881; married A. L. Bickle. 5. William F., born October 8, 1883; married Mabel Davis. 6. Julia Ann, born October 2, 1885. 7. Roy, born July 25, 1887.

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TAYLOR      The Taylor family, of which General John P. Taylor, of Reedsville, is a representative, was founded in the Juniata Valley by Robert Taylor, who came to Mifflin county

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*John P. Taylor*



from Pine Ford, on Swartara Creek, Dauphin county, Pennsylvania. He took out warrants for several acres of land in the Kishacoquillas Valley, much of which is yet owned in the family. Robert Taylor married and had issue: Henry, William, Robert (2), John, and Matthew.

(II) Matthew, son of Robert Taylor, the pioneer settler, came to Mifflin county with his father; he became a prosperous farmer of "the valley." He married Sarah (Sample) Mayes, widow of John Mayes, and had issue: Robert (3); John, of whom further; Henry and Sample.

(III) John, son of Matthew, and grandson of Robert (1) Taylor, "the settler," was born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, March 6, 1775, died in 1843. He attended such schools as the locality then afforded, later going to Center county, where he served a regular apprenticeship in a tannery, thoroughly learning that business. Returning home, he erected a tannery on the homestead farm, and for the remainder of his life followed tanning and farming. He was a man of intelligence, very energetic and prosperous. He married, February 12, 1813, Elizabeth, daughter of Neal and Margaret (Thompson) McManigal. She survived him twenty-six years, dying in 1869, aged eighty-three years. The young couple made their first home in a corner of the tannery building, but as prosperity came erected a comfortable home. Children: Sarah Sample, married James Watts; Rebecca McManigal, married David Brisbin; Matthew, married Jane E. Taylor; Margaret Thompson, died aged two years; Margaret Isabella, married Oliver Perry Smith; John P., of whom further; Elizabeth, married Samuel McWilliams.

(IV) General John P. Taylor was born on the Taylor homestead in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, June 16, 1827. He was named John, but to distinguish him from other John Taylors, he added "P." to his name. Another writer, competent from personal knowledge to speak of the boyhood of General Taylor, has said: "Having been born and brought up in a community of Scotch-Irish lineage (also his own), it was impossible for him not to inherit the stern and patriotic virtues which characterized his ancestry. His boyhood was spent chiefly on his father's farm, but even there the future man was discernible in the prompt and energetic manner in which he executed his father's commands." After attending school at the old log house he was at an early age placed under the care of Professor David Wilson, whose instruction he enjoyed for several years. While at Tuscarora Academy he acquired

a good English education, also a knowledge of Latin, then returned to the farm where, until the outbreak of the war between the states, he was engaged with his cousin, James I. Taylor, in stock dealing, and with his brother Matthew in working the homestead farm, succeeding in both. There was, however, a strain of military ardor in his blood, probably from a warlike ancestor of long ago, for at the age of sixteen years he was planning to enlist in the American army, then in Mexico under the famous generals, Taylor and Scott. His patriotic impulse was however checked by the refusal of his parents to give their consent, and he continued in peaceful pursuit until 1861. He had been active in organizing the company of cavalry, in 1859, called the Mifflin County Dragoons, of which G. V. Mitchell was captain; John P. Taylor, first lieutenant, and William Mann, second lieutenant. After the company had become well drilled and had appeared in public several times, Lieutenant Taylor, always the leading spirit of the company, deemed that the time had come to prove to the people that they were not "tin soldiers." Accordingly, at a meeting of the company held in Reedsville January 26, 1861, he moved that the services of the company be offered the governor of Pennsylvania. Their offer was at once accepted but was quickly followed by another telegram stating that a cavalry company could not be used, but to hold themselves in readiness. So, while their offer was the first on record at Harrisburg, another Mifflin county company, the famous "Logan Guards," hold the honor of being the first company to have their services accepted by the state. The Dragoons confidently expected to be called for under Lincoln's first demand on the loyal states for seventy-five thousand men; each member was notified and was holding himself in readiness, but the Pennsylvania quota was filled without calling on the cavalry. No amount of persuasion prevailed, although Lieutenants Taylor and Mann visited Harrisburg personally. When Governor Curtin organized the First Regiment of Pennsylvania cavalry, August 7, 1861, the Dragoons became part of Company C, and before leaving Harrisburg, Lieutenant Taylor was elected captain of that company. The regiment was under the command of Colonel George D. Bayard, who gallantly led his brave troops until killed at Fredericksburg in 1862.

General Taylor's military career was a distinguished one, marked by daring courage, devotion to duty and rapid promotion. He was en-

gaged with his company and regiment in thirty-one pitched battles and nearly forty skirmishes, as commander of company, regiment and brigade. He received many commendatory notices in the reports of his superior officers; was promoted to the rank of lieutenant-colonel in September, 1862; colonel, January 30, 1863, and was brevetted brigadier-general August 5, 1864. He fought at Grangeville, December, 1861; Cedar Mountain, 1862, where his horse was shot and fell, injuring him severely and leaving him dismounted within the enemy's lines but escaping capture; Second Bull Run; Fredericksburg; Brandy Station—the greatest cavalry battle of the war, where he led the sabre charge and in the midst of battle succeeded to the command of his regiment; Gettysburg, where his regiment was held in reserve at Meade's headquarters; Sheppardstown; Culpeper, where, dismounted, he led his regiment to victory; Mine Run, where he captured the entire skirmish line of the enemy; with Sheridan in his hard campaigns—in short, wherever there was work for the cavalry during the three years he campaigned in the Army of the Potomac, there Colonel Taylor was found in the thick of the fight. At the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Malvern Hill, and in all his battles, he proved over and over again his soldierly qualities and his capacity for leadership, whether as captain, colonel or general of brigade. When mustered out, August 31, 1864, he was the only officer left that assembled with the regiment at Harrisburg at the christening of the First Pennsylvania Cavalry. The following extract from his farewell order, August 31, 1864, sums up in beautiful, patriotic language the service of his regiment:

“Officers and soldiers of the First Pennsylvania Reserve Cavalry: You have now experienced three years of terrible devastating war; you are familiar with its toils, its hardships and scenes of bloodshed. During this time, there has been no toil that your manly efforts have not overcome, no hardships that you have not courted for your country's sake, no field of strife too terrible to prevent your planting your banner in the face of your traitorous foes, and in every instance you have borne it off in triumph. Many have been the fields on which you have distinguished yourselves by your personal valor. From your first victorious blood spill at Danesville down to that, more green in your memories, such as Hawes Shop, Todd's Tavern, Childsburg, Barker's Mills, White House, St. Mary's Church, and last, but not least, the bloody summit of Malvern Hill, are still sounding in your ears and eternally engraven

on your hearts. But now you have reached a goal worthy of your ambition; you have won for yourselves, your regiment, your state, an enviable reputation; your military career has been a brave and a clear record, in which you have acquitted yourselves like men. But the war is not ended yet; there are more battles to be fought and more lives to be offered on the altar of liberty. For this end, some of you will remain here and many more of you will be back to battle for a just and holy cause. But whenever you may answer the bugle's call, and upon whatever field you may strike the black shield of rebellion, let the memory of your fallen comrades strengthen your arms and encourage your hearts, ever mindful that you were once members of the First Pennsylvania Reserve Cavalry. May the God of battles and of mercy be your shield and protection."

After the above order had been read, Colonel Taylor addressed the regiment in most eloquent, patriotic and feeling terms, paying this just tribute to their fallen leader of the earlier years:

"What you were then and what you have since proved yourselves, you owe to the mighty impulses of your first great and noble commander, George D. Bayard. Imbued with the influence of his mighty genius, you saw the star of his glory rising and shining brighter in the military sphere and alas! too soon to set before it had reached its zenith—following in his wake, ever ready to stand by you in the hour of danger, to share with you your toils and hardships, to cheer you on in your conflicts, following strictly in the footsteps of his illustrious predecessor, the champion of your rights and reputation, came your second commander, Colonel Owen Jones."

To all of these encomiums Colonel Taylor was as justly entitled, but of himself he said with becoming modesty:

"Officers and Soldiers: Through your esteem I had the honor to be your next commander, and as such I deem it a high honor today to stand before the remnant of what was once a large regiment, to thank you for your esteem and the willingness with which you have acceded to my every request and complied with every command, and for the manner in which you have so nobly and faithfully discharged your duty as soldiers. I believe I am the only officer now left, of those who assembled at the call of the Governor and witnessed the organization of the regiment, in the presence of his staff, and heard it christened the First Pennsylvania Reserve Cavalry. And it gives me pleasure today to think that we can return to our native state those colors entrusted to our care, tattered and torn though they be, without a tarnish or stain upon the reputation of the regiment. Officers and soldiers of the First Pennsyl-



vania Reserve Cavalry, you are the veterans of more than thirty engagements, your banner has proudly floated over almost every field on which this historic army has been engaged; the graves of your comrades are strewn from Gettysburg to James river, your war paths may be traced by the blood of your fallen heroes, and by the strength of justice and the might of mercy, you have plumed your arms with honor and victory."

To his brave men, who had elected to remain with the army until the end, he said:

"Enlisted veterans: When you re-enlisted my lips were sealed from encouraging you, because circumstances unavoidably rendered my remaining with you impossible. Let not our leaving discourage you, but go on to greater deeds of valor,—be faithful and obedient, prompt and cheerful in duty, as you always have been; a hopeful country waits to crown you and we shall not forget you. We shall continue to breathe the desired hope and Christian prayer that you may soon be permitted to return to your homes when the red-handed monster war, whose pestiferous breath blasts with withering death everything lovely on earth, may be banished from our distracted land and peace, sweet peace, again returning, shall ever pour her Heaven-born blessings on our fair Columbian soil."

On the departure of the regiment for home, Colonel Taylor received from the division commander, General Gregg, a very complimentary letter, in part as follows:

"For nearly two years the First Pennsylvania Cavalry has been under my command. I can proudly say its record is without a blemish. Many officers and enlisted men have fallen. They met death facing the foe; let them be properly remembered by those who survive. To you, Colonel, my thanks are due for the efficient manner in which you have always performed your duty, whether as a regimental or brigade commander. You return to your home well satisfied you have failed not in your duty, bearing with you the sincere friendship of myself and all your companions in arms."

After closing his brilliant military career, General Taylor returned to his estate of four hundred and fifty acres, a part of the tract patented by his great-grandfather, Robert Taylor, in 1755. His residence is the old stone mansion of solid, dignified appearance, "beautiful for situation," erected by his grandfather, Matthew Taylor, who in 1823 also remodeled and enlarged it. Here General Taylor has ever resided, and

amid the beautiful surroundings of the Kishacoquillas Valley he is passing an honored old age. In personal appearance General Taylor is about six feet tall, well proportioned, of florid complexion and sandy hair, now whitened by age. He has always enjoyed good health and today carries his years, eighty-five, with a surprising vigor. His sterling character has won him the love and respect of a large circle of friends, and nowhere is a man held in higher general esteem than General John P. Taylor.

In political faith he is strongly Republican, but has persistently refused the many tenders of public office made by his party leaders. He accepted, in 1892, the office of department commander of Pennsylvania Grand Army of the Republic, to which he was elected by acclamation, and the appointment by the governor of Pennsylvania to membership on the Pennsylvania Monumental Commission, and was president of the board. The object of the commission was to have in charge the marking of the battlefield of Gettysburg with suitable monuments, showing the position of the different regiments engaged in that battle. This has resulted in intelligently beautifying this sacred, holy ground, the scene of a great conflict and the spot on which President Lincoln's immortal address was delivered. A monument has been erected to every Pennsylvania regiment engaged during General Taylor's presidency; also equestrian statues to Generals Meade, Hancock and Reynolds, three great generals in action at Gettysburg.

General Taylor married (first) in May, 1863, Sarah Harriet Nourse, who died December 25, 1870, daughter of Rev. James and Sarah (Harvey) Nourse, and granddaughter of Colonel Michael Nourse. He married (second), June 1, 1876, Elizabeth, daughter of Hon. John and Rhoda (Taylor) Henry. Three months after their marriage, while visiting the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia, she received injuries in a street car accident that caused her almost instant death. She was aged forty-two years and six months.

In 1906, and again in 1910, General Taylor toured the Holy Land, and in his beautiful home has many relics, both of the war and of the Holy Land, together with many specimens of the rare and antique in furniture. One of these relics was found on his own farm, a German silver spoon, bearing the name of William Penn on its handle and on the reverse, the British crown and the word "Yates."

The Burlews are of French descent, the ancestor coming  
 BURLEW to Pennsylvania at an early date and serving at Fort Pitt  
 in the French and Indian war against England and the  
 colonies. His son, Cornelius, grandfather of W. F. Burlew, of Lewistown, was a soldier of the war of 1812, serving in the American army against the British. He married Mary Miller, and they were early settlers of Mifflin county.

(III) Alexander, son of Cornelius and Mary (Miller) Burlew, was born near Lewistown, Pennsylvania, in 1830, died October, 1910. He was a cooper by trade, but later became a superintendent of mines. He was a Republican in politics, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He was twice married and the father of seventeen children, thirteen of whom are living. He married (first) Catherine East, born in Lewistown in 1831, died in 1873, the mother of eight children, six living (1913). She was the daughter of Abraham East, who worked on the state canal in the early days and married a Miss Lotz.

(IV) William F., son of Alexander and Catherine (East) Burlew, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, February 5, 1857. He was educated in the public schools, finishing his studies in Lewistown high school. He began business life as a clerk, and in 1885 engaged in business for himself, continuing for twenty years. He manufactured building blocks, cement pavement, and was a contractor and builder, erecting among others the building he now owns and occupies. On December 24, 1911, he opened a grocery store at No. 35 Valley street, where he has built up a prosperous business. He is a Republican in politics; has always been active in party affairs, and in 1900 was elected treasurer of Mifflin county, serving three years. He is a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

He married, August 19, 1878, Alice Brown, born in Blair County, Pennsylvania, daughter of Michael Brown. Children: 1. William A., born May 28, 1880; he was educated in the high school, began life as clerk in a store, later was for several years employed in the post office, and is now (1913) a partner with his father in the grocery business, established December 24, 1911, under the firm name W. F. Burlew and Son; he married, in 1900, Edna Pearl Reddy; two children: Florence and William F. 2. Florence Elizabeth, born January, 1882; married

Walter H. Schell, a seed merchant of Harrisburg, their present home; child, William Matthew.

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The Doyle family, which has been known in the state of DOYLE Pennsylvania for a number of generations, and of which John C. Doyle, of Fermanagh township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, is a descendant, has been identified mainly with the milling and agricultural interests of the state. In these fields of industry they have borne their share as good citizens, and when the country had need of their services as soldiers, they have nobly arisen in defence of its rights and liberties.

(I) John Doyle, grandfather of John C. Doyle, was of Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, and followed the occupation of milling during the active years of his life.

(II) Richard, son of John Doyle, was born in 1814. He was a resident of Beil township, and a miller by occupation. Upon the outbreak of the civil war he was one of the first in the district to volunteer his services, and fought bravely during that struggle. In the ranks of the Republican party he wielded considerable influence, and for a long period of time he served as internal revenue assessor. Thrifty and industrious, he amassed a considerable fortune, and was the owner of a large amount of real property. He married Nancy Criswell, a member of the well-known Criswell family of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. Their children were: Adeline and Nannie, who died in infancy; John C., see forward; James, Ella, Margaret, Jennie, Charles and Evelina, who died in infancy.

(III) John C., son of Richard and Nancy (Criswell) Doyle, was born in Beil township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, January 12, 1847. He acquired his early education in the public schools of his native township, then became a student for several years at the Tuscarora Academy, from which he was graduated. In his early manhood he was apprenticed to learn the trade of printing, with which he was occupied for a period of five years. He then took up the study of dentistry, but never engaged in active practice in this profession. For some years he was busily engaged in agricultural pursuits, then having become associated with railroad work, was thus occupied in various positions for twenty-eight years. Always a great lover of nature, he now returned to farm



occupations, and has continued in this direction up to the present time. He has a beautiful farm of sixty-three acres, and keeps this in a fine state of cultivation. In political matters Mr. Doyle entertains progressive ideas, and prefers to form his own opinions independently rather than have them formed for him. He and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. His fraternal affiliations are with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Mifflin.

Mr. Doyle married, in 1868, Margaret C., a daughter of George and Hannah (Souders) Goshen, the former a farmer of Perry county, Pennsylvania. They have had children as follows: Harry R., unmarried, is in the employ of the Carnegie Steel Works, at Homestead, Pennsylvania; George, who is in the west; Belle, now deceased, married John Cibulka, a tailor; Nellie, married Dr. ——— Hammond, of Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania; Mamie, is a trained nurse in Philadelphia; Anna, married Robert Spanogle, a dentist of Cambria county, Pennsylvania; Grace, died in childhood; Mildred, died in 1910, at the age of nineteen years.

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The Beyer family of Pennsylvania are of German descent, BEYER and have been settled in the state for a number of generations, greatly to its benefit. They have proved themselves to be of industrious habits, have been actively interested in whatever concerned the welfare of the community in which they resided, and have always occupied places high in the esteem of their fellow citizens.

(I) Philip Beyer, grandfather of the particular subject of this sketch, was one of the early settlers of Monteur county, Pennsylvania, coming thence from Burkes county. Like the majority of the people of those days, his time was principally occupied with farming. He was the owner of a considerable amount of land and was considered as being one of the wealthy men of the town. He married ——— ———, and had children: Solomon, a farmer in the state of Kansas; Peter M., see forward; Edmond, a farmer near Danville, Pennsylvania; Philip, a farmer in Danville, Pennsylvania; Mary, married John Snyder, of Kansas; Lizzie, married Henry Snyder, a farmer in Michigan; Jennie, who became the second wife of Rastus Fleck; Tillie, the first wife of Rastus Fleck; John, a farmer in Kansas. As far as is known, all of these children were living in 1913.

(II) Peter M., son of Philip Beyer, was born in Burkes county, March 28, 1843, and was but two weeks of age when his parents removed to Monteur county. His main occupation throughout his life was milling, but in addition to this he engaged to a certain extent in farming. He was the owner of a large tract of land, and an influential member of the Lutheran church. In political matters he gave his adherence to the Republican party. His death occurred May, 1910, in Union county. He married Mary E. Hilkert, born February 19, 1844, who is now living in Union county with her daughter, Mrs. Rayback. Mrs. Beyer was the daughter of Joseph and Rebecca Hilkert, both of German descent, and people of wealth in Monteur county, where they were the owners of a large farm which they cultivated themselves. They had children: Mary E., mentioned above; Emma Jane, married Daniel Mull and died shortly after her marriage; Samuel, was in active service during the civil war, and died at home of the smallpox; Joseph and James, farmers in Monteur county; Thomas, who was a farmer of Monteur county; Solomon, who lived in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Beyer had children: William, a resident of Lewisburg, married Dora Carr; Edward, a miller in Union county, married Elizabeth Hauselman; James Wesley, lives in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and married Eliza Fernwalt; Andrew J., see forward; Alice, married Charles Harshbarger, a railroad man of Northumberland county; Nora, married Joseph Fisher, in public office in Milton; Calvin, an insurance agent at Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania; Ada, married Blaine Raybeck, a farmer of Union county.

(III) Andrew J., fourth son and child of Peter M. and Mary E. (Hilkert) Beyer, was born in Monteur county, Pennsylvania, August 19, 1872. He was the recipient of a good, practical education in the public schools of the county, and he made the best use of his opportunities there. In his early manhood he was associated with his father in the milling business and in the cultivation of the farm, being thus employed for a period of twenty years. He came to Juniata Valley in 1900, and purchased the mill located at Jones Mills, and this is still in his possession. In 1912 he removed to Mifflintown, where he established himself in the restaurant business, in which he is successfully engaged at the present time. He keeps well abreast of the times in every particular, and the attention he has given to public affairs has made him a man of

note in the Republican party. His religious affiliations are with the Methodist Episcopal church, at which he is a devout attendant. He is a member of McCalastenville Lodge, No. 716, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; of Camp No. 717, Patriotic Order of Free Sons of America; and the K. O. F. M. of Lewistown.

Mr. Beyer married, February 26, 1896, Virginia, daughter of Joseph Keyser, a trucker and farmer of Northumberland county, and they have had children: Leonard K., born November 16, 1897, is a student in the high school at Clifton; Clifton, born March 14, 1905, died in 1907; Dartha, born August 21, 1907.

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William Thompson McCoy, of Lewistown, Mifflin county, McCoy Pennsylvania, is of Irish extraction, his emigrant progenitor landing in America previous to 1790. The McCoy family has lived largely in Pennsylvania, and has helped make history for the state, as well as assist in its upbuilding.

(I) Robert McCoy was born in Ireland and came to this country before 1790. He probably landed in New York with his family, and driven by the zeal that characterized his life as a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, he went to Pennsylvania in 1790, and settled for a while in Bucks county. Here he farmed as best he could, for he was blind for forty years before his death, on February 11, 1829, and preached in the little log house set aside for that purpose. He moved from Bucks county in 1825 to Allensville, Mifflin county, and there remained until his death. He was greatly beloved by those who knew him, and his charges in the various churches under his care lamented his death. He married Mary Iliff, in Ireland, who accompanied him across the Atlantic to the wild new country, in which he was destined to accomplish much good. Children: 1. John, a saddler in Lewistown, married Sarah Willis. 2. Joseph, a farmer in Huntingdon county. 3. Mercy, married William Brown, a farmer of Brady township. 4. Wesley, died in infancy. 5. Wesley, a farmer in Granville township; married Sarah McCord. 6. Mary, died young. 7. Elizabeth, married Thomas McCord, a farmer in Granville township. 8. Edward, died in youth. 9. Samuel, of whom further. 10. Benjamin, a farmer in Granville township; married Sarah Anderson. All the children of Mr. McCoy are dead. For years after his death the good influence of his life was felt,

his patience and submission to his great affliction binding him to his friends and parishioners.

(II) Samuel Harvey McCoy, son of Robert and Mary (Iliff) McCoy, was born December 1, 1818, in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, and died June 8, 1890, in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the township schools and under the direction of his father, who was well educated for a Dissenter minister. He began farming while young, and through thrift and energy was finally able to purchase a large body of land, which he converted into an up-to-date farm for those days. He was one of the progressive citizens of the county, advocating at all times the principles of progress, not only for himself but his neighbors as well. He became a Republican on the organization of that party and supported it staunchly and actively. He held many township offices, giving satisfaction in each. He married Rachael J. Anderson, born January 23, 1824, in Granville township, and died June 16, 1903, in Lewistown, Mifflin county. She was the daughter of Joseph and Jane (McCord) Anderson, who were natives of Ireland, but settled in Mifflin county in the early part of the nineteenth century. He was a farmer and distiller near Longfellow, Mifflin county, and was wonderfully prosperous until his accidental death by drowning while he was in his prime. Both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Children:

1. Rachael, married Samuel Harvey McCoy. 2. Sarah, married Benjamin McCoy. 3. Mary, married Thompson Bell, a farmer in Derry township, Mifflin county. Children of Samuel Harvey and Rachael J. (Anderson) McCoy: 1. Francis I., born January 16, 1847, a farmer; died in 1907; married Rebeca Pennapaker. 2. Charles Howard, born February 10, 1851, a grain dealer in the west; married Lillian Taylor. 3. Anna M., born March 16, 1853, unmarried. 4. William Thompson, of whom further. 5. Samuel Edward, born March 1, 1860, unmarried; makes home with his sister Anna in Lewistown.

(III) William Thompson McCoy, son of Samuel Harvey and Rachael J. (Anderson) McCoy, was born December 25, 1857, in Granville township, Mifflin county. He received his education in the common schools of the township and as a young man followed farming as an occupation, and has done so until the present time (1913). His home farm comprises one hundred and forty-seven well-tilled acres, on which



he does general farming and stock raising, making a specialty of dairying. He has another farm of one hundred and twenty-five acres in Granville township which he rents. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and is a Republican in politics, and has held, acceptably, township offices.

William T. McCoy married, May 16, 1883, Juniata A. Collins, born April 14, 1860, in Mt. Union, Huntingdon county, a daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Hooper) Collins. Children: 1. Eva Margaret, born March 13, 1884; married Morris Amon, a farmer of Oliver township, Mifflin county. 2. George W., born October 26, 1885, unmarried. 3. James Hugh, born August 18, 1887, at home. 4. Robert Thompson, born April 3, 1890, at home. 5. Samuel Honnan, born September 26, 1893, graduated from Lewistown high school, and is now an employee in Standard Steel Works. 6. Mary Rachael, twin of Samuel H. 7. Grace, born September 17, 1898. 8. Elizabeth Collins, born July 5, 1902.

(The Collins Line).

James Collins, the paternal grandfather of Mrs. William Thompson McCoy, lived in Fulton county, Pennsylvania. Later he moved to Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He was an iron worker by trade. He married Mariah Reeder, and among their children was Thomas, of whom further.

(II) Thomas Collins, son of James and Mariah (Reeder) Collins, was born March 12, 1834, in Fulton county, Pennsylvania. He was an iron worker in his younger days, but in later years was employed by the Pennsylvania Railway. He married Margaret Hooper, born February 24, 1835, in Huntingdon county, a daughter of Phillip and Margaret (Robinson) Hooper, who were early settlers in Huntingdon county, where he was a farmer and an extensive land owner. Thomas Collins enlisted in the civil war in Company K, Two Hundred and Second Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nearly a year, or the full time of his enlistment. He died December 5, 1883, and his wife followed him July 15, 1885. Both were highly esteemed in the various places in which they lived in their long life. Children: 1. Juniata, married William Thompson McCoy (see McCoy III). 2. Alice, married C. C. Morrison. 3. Selina, died at the age of seventeen. 4. James Howard, married Mary Hammelbaugh. 6. Elsie, died in youth.

From far-off Germany came Peter Dreyer, born in that DREYER country July 11, 1854, son of Fulton and Katerine (Cashdollar) Dreyer, who were born, lived, and died in Germany. Peter was one of the four sons of Fulton Dreyer, his brothers Jacob, Frank and Deobalt all being deceased. Peter and his brother Frank left their native land, came to the United States, and settled first at Pine Grove, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, but soon afterward Peter came to Lewistown, his brother returning to Germany. Peter, before coming to the United States, had served in the German army and partly learned the barber's trade. After coming to Lewistown he finished his trade, became an expert worker, and in 1870 established in business for himself. He has been very successful and has a well-equipped and well-patronized shop at Valley street. For about three years he engaged in the poultry business, and otherwise has been in business continuously. He is a Democrat in politics and is a member of the Episcopal Church. He belongs to Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons; The Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Knights of the Golden Eagle. He married, June 11, 1875, Rebecca Davis, daughter of William Davis, an early settler in Lewistown, coming from England, with his wife, Susan (Bice) Davis, both deceased. Children of Peter and Rebecca Dreyer: Frederick, Sadie, Jeanette, Catherine, Paul Edgar.

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John Henry Saxton, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, is of SAXTON good old English stock that has been planted in America nearly two hundred and fifty years. The first mention of John Saxton was in the records of Massachusetts in 1668, and it is thought that from him have sprung the Saxtons of the United States.

John Henry Saxton, son of Leonard and Anna (McCullough) Saxton (see Leonard Saxton, this work), was born December 16, 1875, in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public schools, and during vacations drove his father's boat. Leaving school while yet young, he clerked for Wills and Jackson in their grocery store. In 1893 he was apprenticed to the Lewistown *Gazette* and took such a vivid interest in all that pertains to a printing office of a newspaper that six years later he was made foreman, the mechanical skill displayed in the paper speaking for his ability in that capacity. He is a Repub-

lican in politics, working for that party at all times. He was borough auditor for three years and secretary of the town council since 1910. In 1911 he was elected county auditor, which position he fills at the present time (1913), and is also secretary of the council. He is a member in high standing in the Lewistown Lodge of A. F. A. M., No. 203, and of the P. O. S. of A. and P. O. of A., the Royal Arcanum, the Loyal Association, and has been secretary of the P. O. S of A. since 1901. He is a member of the Lutheran church, attending with his family. He married, November 4, 1897, Emma Baum Shatzer, born at New Castle, Pennsylvania, a daughter of John Henry Shatzer, a brother of Richard Shatzer, who was a son of David Shatzer (see Shatzer, this work). Children: 1. John Leonard. 2. George Robert. 3. Henry McCullough. 4. Donald Kimball. 5. James Richard, all of whom make their homes with their parents, No. 207 South Brown street, Lewistown.

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The Peters family of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, herein PETERS recorded, are of Scotch-German ancestry. The paternal progenitor, George Peters, being of Scotch, his wife, Elizabeth Wagner, of German ancestry. George Peters grew to manhood near Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, at the home of his foster parents, the Beichtels, where he learned the tailor's trade. He worked, as was the ancient custom, among the families of the neighborhood, going to their homes and living until outfits for the whole family were completed. He continued this mode of work until after his marriage, then settled in Reedsville, Mifflin county, where he opened a shop and had trade come to him. He was a good workman and continued business until old age called a halt. He was for fourteen years sexton of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian Church, although both he and his wife were Lutherans. In later life Mr. Peters joined the Methodist Episcopal church. He died in 1875, aged eighty-four years, his wife following him to the grave in 1880, aged seventy-eight years. He married (first) a Miss Deemer, who bore him two children; Isaac, settled in Zanesville, Ohio, and Betsey, married Isaac Whitman, of Belleville, Pennsylvania. He married (second) Elizabeth, daughter of Adam and Mary (Knepp) Wagner; she was one of a family of eleven. Children of George and Elizabeth (Wagner) Peters: 1. Levi, a soldier of the Mexican war, under Captain Irwin, in which he contracted a disease from which he

died shortly after his return, aged twenty-five years. 2. Elizabeth, died in infancy. 3. Mary, died in infancy. 4. Aaron, died in 1910, aged seventy-eight years; married (first) Sophia Beaver, one child; married (second) Lavina Hassinger, thirteen children. 5. Harriet, died in 1863, married (first) William Hockenberry, (second) Edward Treaster. 6. Jacob, died aged seventeen. 7. Henry Tillman, of whom further. 8. William, a farmer of Reedsville; died soon after his marriage to Mary Fultz. 9. George, died in 1910 at Cold Water, Michigan; married Sarah Camp. 10. Polly Ann, died in 1908 at Reedsville, Pennsylvania; married William Hulbrook. 11. Catherine, married (first) Joseph Purcell, a corporal in the civil war; (second) John Wagner; they now reside at Altoona, Pennsylvania. 12. Louisa, died in childhood. 13. Died in infancy.

(II) Henry Tillman, son of George and Elizabeth (Wagner) Peters, was born in Decatur township, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, July 4, 1837, and is now (1913) living retired in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. He attended the old "Church Hill" school in Brown township, his parents settling there in 1838. Later they moved to Reedsville, where Henry T. grew to manhood. He worked for the neighboring farmers until he was nineteen years of age, then entered the employ of the William Mann Axe Company, where he worked for twenty-seven years as polisher and wheel dresser. He then retired, but continued to live at Reedsville until 1898, when he purchased a farm of one hundred and twenty-three acres in Granville township on which he resided seven years; then moved to Lewistown, where he purchased a good stone house on Electric avenue in which he lived until 1901. In the latter year he built a residence on the opposite side of the avenue, in which he now resides, retired from business life and enjoying the fruits of his years of industry in a quiet way. He affiliated with the Democratic party all his life until 1904, then and since supporting Republican national nominees, but locally voting independently. He served as supervisor of Brown township three years, but has never sought public office. In religious faith he is a Methodist.

He married (first), October 1, 1859, Sarah M., daughter of Henry and Barbara (Houser) Wagner. Henry Wagner died February, 1878, aged sixty-nine years; his wife Barbara died in 1880, aged seventy-eight years; their children were: Matilda, married Joel Price; Mary, married







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William Nieman; Catherine, married Frank Price; Amos, married Lucy Ann Price; Adam, married and moved to Michigan; Sarah M., married Henry T. Peters, and died on Christmas Day, 1896; William, married Mary Lyter; Jacob, died in infancy; Elias, married and moved to Michigan; Absalom, married Nettie Bell; John, married Annie Shoop, died in 1897; Joseph, married Mattie McGary. Henry T. Peters married (second), January 23, 1898, Mrs. Caroline (Gilbert) Miller, widow of Charles Miller and daughter of Jacob and Catherine (Teats) Gilbert, old settlers of Middleburg, Snyder county, Pennsylvania. Children of Henry T. and Sarah M. Peters: 1. Barbara, married Joseph Kelley and resides in Reedsville. 2. William John, a plumber and justice of the peace at Mill Hall, Pennsylvania, an axemaker. 3. Charles Walter, of whom further. 4. Emma, married Harry Boyer and resides in Denver, Colorado. 5. Harry, resides in Lewistown. 6. Clark, a tinner and plumber of Reedsville, Pennsylvania; married Mary Conley. 7. Theodore W., died aged five years. 8. Calvin Oscar, died aged three years; he and his brother Theodore died within a week, in February, 1878. 9. Robert, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, stationed at Beaver Meadow, Pennsylvania. 10. Ira Clay, a merchant of Burnham, Pennsylvania.

(III) Charles Walter, son of Henry T. Peters and his first wife, Sarah M. (Wagner) Peters, was born in Reedsville, Pennsylvania, January 11, 1865. He was educated in the public schools and on arriving at a suitable age learned the tinning and plumbing business. He became an expert workman and for several years traveled the states of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia, working as a journeyman. He finally located in Huntington, West Virginia, and there engaged in the plumbing business for about fifteen years. In 1905 he came to Lewistown, built a good home on Electric avenue, just outside the city limits, and opened a business place on the Pike at Burnham, where he successfully conducts a plumbing and tinning business. He is a Democrat in politics and has served on the school board, also was mayor of the town of Kenova, West Virginia. He is a member of the Master Plumbers Association, also of the American Guild; the Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, and both he and his wife belong to the Methodist Episcopal church. He is an active, energetic business man and excels in all that pertains to his craft.

He married, in Cincinnati, Ohio, Carrie J. Burger, born in Kentucky, daughter of John and Pauline (Newman) Burger. Children: 1. Ray. 2. Fay, twin of Ray, both died in infancy. 3. Hazel Marie, died in 1912; married Earl Challenger, and had Pauline and Earl Linn. 4. Charles Walter (2), a plumber. 5. Erma Lucille. 6. Pauline, died in infancy. 7. John Henry, a plumber. 8. Ruth May.

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The first record found of the Wentz family in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania (then Philadelphia), is in 1755, when Jacob Wentz, a German, bought land in Worcester township for four hundred and sixty-two pounds. He had been in the county some time and owned other lands.

(II) Abraham, son of Jacob Wentz, was assessed in 1762 in Whip-pain township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, as an innkeeper and the owner of one hundred and fifty acres of farm land, which remained in the family nearly a century and a half.

(III) Samuel, son of Abraham Wentz, was living in Center Square, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, in 1819, but during the war of 1812 was living in Philadelphia, which was also the city in which he died. He married Sarah Tatum and had issue.

(IV) William T., son of Samuel and Sarah (Tatum) Wentz, was born in Philadelphia, and died in 1876. He was a Douglas Democrat, but after the war a Republican, and was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married Elizabeth Waithman, born at Cape May, New Jersey, died in 1892, aged eighty-two, at Tottensville, New York; her father, a sea-faring man, was a resident of Dennisville, Cape May county, New Jersey. Of the seven children of William T. Wentz, three are living: William, Sarah and Frank H.

(V) Frank H., son of William T. and Elizabeth (Waithman) Wentz, was born in Philadelphia, February 28, 1844. He was educated in the public schools and at the age of fourteen years, in 1858, came to Lewistown, where he began serving an apprenticeship at cabinetmaking with R. H. McClintic. In 1861 he enlisted in the Logan Guards, and with them went to the front as three-months men. The "Guards" were the first company to report for duty at Harrisburg and the first Pennsylvania troops sworn into the United States service from that state. They passed through Baltimore, one day before the Sixth Massachusetts



Regiment, and, although hooted and jeered by the mob, were not attacked. After his three months term expired, Mr. Wentz reëntered for three years in Company F, One Hundred and Seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, commanded by Colonel T. F. McCoy. He was in continuous service, fighting with the army of the Potomac at Cedar Mountain, Thoroughfare Gap, Second Bull Run, Antietam, South Mountain and Fredericksburg. When he entered his second enlistment he was sworn in as orderly sergeant, and on March 25, 1863, was commissioned lieutenant of Company F, One Hundred and Seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was wounded at Gettysburg, July 1, 1863, and for a few days held a prisoner by the Confederates. After his recovery he was assigned to duty, first, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and later at Fort Mifflin, as post adjutant, 1864-1865, acting as assistant quartermaster and assistant commissary of substance. In 1865 he was brevetted captain for "gallant and meritorious conduct on the field of battle." He returned to Lewistown after the war and was in the shoe business for a time. About 1872 he established a bottling business, which he has conducted most successfully ever since. He is a Republican in politics, and for the past eighteen years has been through successive elections auditor of Mifflin county. He was chief engineer of the fire department for several years and is a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons, which he joined in 1868. He was formerly a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and was vice-president of The First Defenders Association, 1910-1911 and 1912. Captain Wentz married, January 30, 1868, Emmeline Miller, born March 28, 1844, in Lewistown, died April 29, 1905, daughter of George Miller. Children: 1. Charles, died at the age of four years. 2. George Miller, born October 23, 1871, now living in Lewistown. 3. Mary, married Edward Mayberry and resides in Lewistown.

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STUDER James D. Studer, of Belleville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, descends from German ancestry in a direct line on the paternal side. His great-grandfather crossed the Atlantic from the Fatherland during the first part of the last century and established himself with his family in Pennsylvania. From him and his sturdy sons have descended all of the name in and around Belleville. Among his children was one, Jacob, of whom further.

(I) Jacob Studer, son of the original immigrant of the name, was a native of Germany, coming to Pennsylvania with his father. He married Racey Miller, and located in Union township. He was a watch and clock repairer by vocation and traveled over a large part of Pennsylvania plying his trade, his itinerary often taking him far from home. Through this he came to be well and favorably known to a large number of patrons. Among his children was one, Joseph W., of whom further.

(II) Joseph W. Studer, son of Jacob and Racey (Miller) Studer, was born and reared in Union township. He attended the common schools. He was a stone mason and farmer combined. In politics he was a Democrat and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Rebecca Bethlehem, the daughter of a neighbor. He was born in 1839 and she in 1847 at Greenwood Furnace, in Stone Valley. Children: 1. William, a stone mason in Belleville. 2. James D., of whom further. 3. Jennie, married Rufus Peachey of Belleville. 4. Archie, a stone mason. 5. Joseph Alvin, a stone mason.

(III) James D. Studer, son of Joseph W. and Rebecca (Bethlehem) Studer, was born April 27, 1871, in Union township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the common schools of the township. Leaving school, he learned the stone mason's trade under the tutelage of his father and brother William when fourteen years of age. He followed this occupation until August, 1912, when he accepted a position with Hertzler and Zook in their machine shop at Belleville, where he now resides. During the years that he worked at the stone mason's trade he accumulated quite a nice property. He invested his savings in real estate, erected houses on it, and resold at a profit. He is now owner of a block of houses on Main street in Belleville, besides the home in which he lives. Like his forbears, he is a Republican in politics, always voting the straight ticket. He is a member of the P. O. S. of America, and with his wife is a member of the Lutheran church. He married (first) Rosana Hunter, in 1896, who died in 1899, leaving no children. He married (second) Elizabeth Bennett, of Belleville, born May 15, 1880, daughter of Nelson and Clara (Wise) Bennett. Children: 1. Earl, born July 27, 1901. 2. Joseph, born January 4, 1903. 3. James, born April 18, 1905.

Edmund Bennett, the grandfather of Mrs. James D. Studer (Eliza-

beth Bennett), was of English extraction. He married Margaret —, who died in 1908. He died when only thirty-eight years old. Among his children was one, Nelson, of whom further.

Nelson Bennett, son of Edmund and Margaret Bennett, was born in 1853, died 1908. He married Clara Wise, born 1850, in Belleville, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Elmer. 2. Edmund, died in 1909. 3. Henry. 4. Mary. 5. Elizabeth, married James D. Studer (see Studer III). 6. Margaret. 7. Bruce.

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A long-established and important family in Pennsylvania is KEIM that of Keim, to which George Bon Keim, of Lewistown, belongs. The first of the name to cross the ocean for the New World was one Daniel, who came from Frankfort-on-the-Rhine, where many of the name reside to-day. It is not known where or when he landed in America, but it is conjectured that it was New York, as so many of his fellow countrymen were emigrating about the same time, with New York as their objective point. He migrated to Pennsylvania, probably Berks county, and there located.

(I) Daniel Keim, German immigrant from Frankfort-on-the-Rhine, was the first of the name in America. He located in Pennsylvania, possibly Berks county, there married and reared a family. He followed in America the same trade that he had in Germany, that of a miller. Among his children was George, of whom further.

(II) George Keim, son of Daniel Keim, was an early settler at McVeytown, Pennsylvania. He was of direct German descent and was probably born in Berks county, where he grew up. He was a miller, following the vocation of his father, and was the first of the trade in that part of the state. His millstones were cut from the rock of the mountains near the mill. He lived some time at Ryde, Mifflin county, later moving to McVeytown, and there died at an advanced age. He married Peggy Voght, like himself the daughter of German extraction. His death occurred in 1838. They were both members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Children: 1. George; married (first) Ellen Logan, married (second) Mary Bradley; he was a contractor and boatman and later ran an omnibus line; died in Elk county, Pennsylvania. 2. Daniel, of whom further. 3. William, moved to state of New York and died there. 4. Samuel, a miller near McVeytown. 5. Isaac, married Miss Gilliland.

who lived in vicinity of Newton, Hamilton county, Pennsylvania. 6. Sallie, married Peter Rhodes, who lives in Lewistown. 7. Peggy, married John DeVore, who lived at McVeytown.

(III) Daniel Keim, son of George and Peggy (Voght) Keim, was born in 1805, near Reading, Berks county, Pennsylvania, and was married when he moved to Lewistown, Mifflin county. He learned the miller's trade and ran the first mill at McVeytown, known as the Couch mill. From there he went to Newton, and then to Milroy, going later to Allenville, where he died, March 10, 1909. He married Rebecca Stewart, born 1824, died September 15, 1902, daughter of William A. and Rachel Stewart, classed among the pioneer settlers of McVeytown. He was a Republican, voting for Lincoln, and they were both members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Children: 1. Charles, born September 27, 1848, a power loom weaver, now retired, lives at Milroy; married Wilhelmina Dangler. 2. Ella, married James Wooding; she is dead. 3. Cordelia, died in infancy. 4. A son, died in infancy. 5. Jackson, a traveling salesman; lived and died in Van Wert, Ohio. 6. William R., lives at Van Wert, Ohio, deals in farm implements and hardware. 7. Jennie, widow of Clarence E. Gifford; lives at Jamestown, New York. 8. George Bon, of whom further.

(IV) George Bon Keim, son of Daniel and Rebecca (Stewart) Keim, was born June 9, 1868, in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He received his education in the town schools of Allenville, and on leaving was employed for two years in a mill. In 1882 he went to Lewistown and for ten years was engaged as salesman, in two different stores—one a grocery concern, the other a dry goods firm, of which he became manager. In 1892 he opened up a line of chinaware, pottery, etc., and has been on the road since that time as traveling salesman, with territory in central Pennsylvania. For the past seventeen years he has been salesman for Fisher, Bruce and Company, of Philadelphia. He has advanced the interests of his firm in every way, and ranks high with his fellow salesmen because of his high sense of honor, energy and efficiency. In politics he is a Republican, and has been president of his borough council for four years. He held other offices in the council before he was elected president. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and he has been trustee many years of the church and was superintendent of the Sunday school for twelve years. He resigned this



position when elected president of the Mifflin county Sunday school work, which he holds at the present time and for which he works most zealously. By his able methods, enthusiasm and belief in his work he has brought Mifflin county prominently forward in the line of Sunday school work. He is a Mason, a member of the Lewistown Lodge, No. 203; belongs to the Royal Arcanum and takes an interest in all other societies and orders that make for public good and improvement. He married, June 16, 1887, Lou A. Rhodes, daughter of Colonel John K. Rhodes, one of the notable old residents of that section. Children: 1. Elizabeth, born February 28, 1890; educated at Williamsport Dickinson Seminary; married George Glenn and lives at Lewistown. 2. Margaret, born February 2, 1895; graduated from Lewistown high school, and is now a student of music under Professor Lane.

(The Stewart Line).

Among the old families of Pennsylvania is that of Stewart. The first to come over from Scotland was Angus, a member of the Stewart clan in the Highlands. William A. Stewart, the maternal grandfather of George Bon Heim, was an artisan, though his real occupation for the greater part of his life was farming, and he was one of the land owners in Wayne township. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. His wife was named Rachel, surname unknown. Children: 1. William. 2. John. 3. James. 4. Rebecca; married Daniel Keim (see Keim III). 5. Susan. After the death of William Stewart, Rachel Stewart married (second) David Sunderland, by whom she had one child, Julia.

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CULBERTSON The Culbertsons came originally from Scotland to the north of Ireland, from whence in 1736 came Samuel Culbertson, settling in Londongrove township, Chester county, Pennsylvania. He appears on the tax records of that year as follows: "George Hodgson conveyed to Samuel Culbertson, April 6, 1736, land in this township." He made his will May 15, 1741. His wife Frances did not long survive him. Children: 1. William (of further mention). 2. John, settled in Armagh township, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, where he made his will in 1785. His wife, Agnes, born 1726, died 1808; eight children. 3. Kittrena, married a Mr. Dongrey.

(II) William, eldest son of Samuel Culbertson, was born in Londonderry county, Ireland, and undoubtedly came to Pennsylvania with his father in 1736. He was executive of his father's will and lived in Londongrove township, Chester county, until 1771, when he was granted a large tract of land (six hundred acres) in East Pennsborough township (now Silver Spring township), Cumberland county, where he settled and lived until his death in May, 1785. He married Margaret —, and lived seven miles east of Carlisle, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Samuel (of whom further). 2. William (2), born 1760, died May 18, 1798, married Nancy Bell and left issue. 3. Frances, married Mr. Johnston, of Virginia, and had four sons.

(III) Samuel, son of William and Margaret Culbertson, was born in Londongrove township, Chester county, Pennsylvania, in 1742, died April 1, 1807. He moved to Silver Spring township, Cumberland county, in 1771, with his father, and lived on the old farm there. He married Elizabeth Urie, born 1765, died July 24, 1803. He was a prosperous farmer; justice of the peace; wrote wills and was an elder of the Silver Spring Presbyterian Church and a man of exemplary life, influence and usefulness. He was a member of the supreme executive council of Pennsylvania and an ardent patriot. His farm in Cumberland county is yet owned in the family. Children: 1. William, born 1801, died 1878, a dry goods merchant at Lewistown, Pennsylvania, from 1825 to 1837, then returned to his farm in Cumberland county, married and left issue. 2. Doctor James (of whom further).

(IV) Doctor James, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Urie) Culbertson, was born in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, near Carlisle, on the old Culbertson homestead, March 12, 1803, died at Lewistown, Pennsylvania, March 30, 1854. He was but an infant when his mother died and but four years old when deprived also of a father's care. He was taken into the family of his legal guardian, Thomas Urie, with whom he lived until he was twelve years of age. He then was sent to Hopewell Academy, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, later entering in the sophomore year Dickinson College, at Carlisle, whence he was graduated, class of 1824. He determined to become a physician, and began medical study under Dr. Adam Hays, of Carlisle, then with Dr. Horner of Philadelphia, later entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated (M. D.) April 6, 1827. After an extended

European tour, Dr. Culbertson located, in 1828, in Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where he was in continuous active practice until his death. For the first three years he was associated with Dr. Edmund Patterson, after which he practised alone. He was a skillful physician, well versed in surgery, but especially expert in diagnosis, possessing a mind peculiarly fitted to analyze the nature and tendency of disease. He kept himself thoroughly informed in medical advancement, being a constant reader of the best professional literature of his day. He loved his profession, and was never happier than with professional friends. He had a large practice, but gave much time and thought to the study of geology and mineralogy, contributing many articles to the scientific, as well as the medical, journals. He was interested in the work of the government weather bureau, and for a year was the official observer for his district. His work so pleased the bureau officials that they presented him with an expensive barometer which is preserved by his son. He belonged to the Geological Society of Pennsylvania and was a lecturer on geology; was president of the Mifflin County Medical Society at the time of his death. This society attended his funeral in a body, and as a mark of respect wore a badge of mourning for thirty days, besides passing appreciative resolutions. Dr. Culbertson was a Whig in politics, but never accepted public office, save those of trustee of Lewistown Academy and of the Lewistown Bank, these not, however, being of a political nature. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and a man thoroughly respected and greatly beloved. He married, July 3, 1839, Mary, only daughter of Robert Steel, of Lewistown, and his wife (also his cousin), Mary Steel, born in New Castle, Delaware. Robert Steel maintained a private school and prepared young men for college. He was an accomplished linguist, and besides his pedagogical duties was justice of the peace. He died in 1825, his wife in 1828, both Presbyterians. Children of Dr. James and Mary Culbertson: 1. William A., born May 29, 1840, died October 4, 1843. 2. Horace J. (of whom further).

(V) Horace J., son of Dr. James and Mary (Steel) Culbertson, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, May 25, 1842. He prepared at Lewistown Academy, and in 1859 entered the sophomore class of Lafayette College. After completing his college course, he began the study of law in 1864 with D. W. Woods, of Lewistown, and was admitted to the Mifflin county bar April 6, 1866, and has since been in continuous prac-

tice in Lewistown, having a large private practice, and from November, 1871, to January, 1875, was district attorney of Mifflin county. He has also served as council for the board of county commissioners and the borough of Lewistown. His term of office as district attorney was extended several months by the changes made in the tenure of office by the constitutional convention of 1875. Mr. Culbertson practises in all the state and federal courts of his district and occupies a leading position at the Mifflin county bar. He has important business interests outside his profession. In 1900 he was one of the organizers of the Citizens National Bank, of Lewistown, and since 1910 has been its honored president; director and counsel of the Mann Edge Tool Company; director and counsel of the Lewistown Ice and Storage Company, and a director of the Union Trust Company of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He is a member of the State and Mifflin county bar associations, a vestryman of the Episcopal church, and in political faith a Republican. He served as chairman of the Republican county committee two terms, has been an active campaign speaker; delegate to many state conventions of his party, and in 1896 was a delegate to the national convention at St. Louis. He has always acted with his townsmen for the advancement of Lewistown's interest, and has been an important factor in the growth and improvement of that borough. His military service covers a period of three months—June, 1863, to September, 1863—in Company A, Thirty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He married, February 6, 1867, Julia M. Watts, born in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, daughter of Judge Frederick Watts. Children: 1. Frederick N., born March 21, 1868, graduate of Lafayette College, read law with his father, was admitted to the bar of Mifflin county, and served as district attorney, 1902-1905, now engaged in legal practice with his father in Lewistown. He married Emily L. Porter and has: Horace James and Elizabeth Lanning. 2. Mary Steel, educated in Lewistown Academy, resides at home. 3. Julia N., educated at St. Margaret's School, Waterbury, Connecticut, resides at home. 4. Anna M. R., educated at Miss Carey's School at Baltimore, Maryland, resides at home.

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The progenitors of Joseph McGregor Young, of Belle-  
YOUNG ville, Pennsylvania, came to Mifflin county from England,  
and were among the early settlers. The earliest record  
found in the county is of David Young, a weaver, who with his wife



Catherine lived in Union township, where they died. He was not a land owner, but followed his trade. Of their eleven children but one survives, Jacob, who resides in Lewistown. Children: Robert, John, Richard, David, of whom further; Jacob, the last survivor; Wesley; Maria, died in the west; Jane, married Isaac Pierce; Rachel, married Cyrus Sample; Mary, married Israel Bigelow; Elizabeth, married and died in the west.

(II) David, son of David and Catherine Young, was born in Mifflin county, March 11, 1836. He learned the carpenter's trade, and for several years was a journeyman, then began contracting, a business he followed until his death. He was well known in Belleville and vicinity, there being in that section of the county between three and four hundred buildings erected by him during his years as builder and contractor. He was a Democrat in politics, and was first a member of the Presbyterian church, later a Lutheran. He married, October 15, 1863, Margaret Bulick, born in Mifflin county, October 25, 1842, who survives him. She is a daughter of Thomas Nelson and Martha (McGregor) Bulick, and granddaughter of Aaron and Mary Bulick, who were born in the state of Maryland of English parentage. Martha was a daughter of Joseph and Sarah McGregor, he born in Ireland, came to America, where he married and settled in Mifflin county, where he followed his trade of carpenter. He is buried in the old Presbyterian cemetery in Menno township. His widow, Sarah, married (second) James MacFarlane, and lived many years thereafter. She is buried in the Lutheran cemetery at Belleville. Thomas Nelson Bulick was born in Maryland, but when a young man came to Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where he married Martha McGregor, born in that county. They settled in Menno township, where he worked at the carpenter's trade until his death, in October, 1873. His wife died March, 1875, both were members of the Lutheran church. Children: James and John, deceased; Thomas, lives in Harrisburg; Margaret, now the widow of David Young; Emor, deceased; Mary, married Solomon Henning and lives in Union township; Sarah, deceased, married Graphus Greenwalt; Franklin, deceased; Martha, married Daniel Michael and lives in Union township. Children of David and Margaret Young: 1. John Nelson, resides in Yeager-town, a carpenter; married Annie Smith. 2. Thomas Wesley, a carpenter, unmarried, resides at home. 3. James Butler, a carpenter, re-

sides in Belleville, also is engaged in the butcher business. He married Augusta Rustler. 4. Joseph M., of whom further. 5. David Oscar, a carpenter, resides in Belleville; married Clara Burkett. 6. Emor Bulick, a heater at the Standard Steel Works; married Vina Smith and resides at Yeagertown. 7. Jesse Wilson, died aged four years.

(III) Joseph M., son of David and Margaret (Bulick) Young, was born in Union township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, September 24, 1874. He was educated in the public schools of Belleville and in early life began working with his father at the carpenter's trade. He became an expert workman and also became familiar with the details of a contracting business, having been associated with his father until his retirement, then continuing the business alone. In 1908 Mr. Young added a lumber yard, for the retail sale of lumber and building material to his general contracting business. He has erected many of the large barns seen in Mifflin county, also the Greybill Mill and Storehouse and many residences, both in the county and borough. He is a Democrat in politics; was elected constable in 1907 and in 1911 reelected for four years. He is a member of the Lutheran church, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Knights of the Golden Eagle. He married, July 2, 1903, Quillas C. Baker, born in Mifflin county, daughter of George Baker, of an old county family. Children: Baker M., born December 16, 1907; David Darlington, October 19, 1909.

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This family came to Juniata from Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, Jacob Hower coming from Germany prior to the year 1800. He settled near Milton, Pennsylvania, where he reared a family, including a son Jacob.

(II) Jacob (2), son of Jacob (1) Hower, was born about the year 1800, near Milton, Pennsylvania. He there grew to manhood and lived until 1840, when with his family he moved to Fermanagh township, Juniata county, where he became a prosperous farmer and large land owner, possessing several farms. He was an industrious, retiring man, both he and his wife members of the Baptist church. He married Mary Morton, of New Jersey, and had issue: 1. Nicholas. 2. George, born June 25, 1825; settled in Juniata county in 1853; a lumberman and farmer; married (first) Sarah Hagenbach, (second) Eliza Wright. 3. Jacob Morton, of whom further. 4. ———, married Jacob Faust. 5.





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———, married Elizabeth Nicholas. 6. Eliza, married a Mr. Billmeyer.  
7. Amanda, married a Mr. Pannebaker.

(III) Jacob Morton, son of Jacob (2) and Mary (Morton) Hower, was born in Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, came to Fermanagh township, Juniata county, with his parents in 1840, and there died in 1911. He married and lived on one of his father's farms in Fermanagh township, which he later inherited. He was a member of the Baptist church, a Republican in politics, holding several township offices. He married (first) Harriet Arbogast, who died in 1876, the mother of nine children. He married (second) Emma Sanders, the mother of four children. Children by first marriage: Henry Clay, of whom further; Elijah, Charles, Grant, deceased; Mary, Prudence, deceased; Lily, and two who died in infancy. Children by second wife: Stella, Ellen, Blanche and Drew.

(IV) Henry Clay, eldest son of Jacob Morton and Harriet (Arbogast) Hower, was born in Fermanagh township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, November 2, 1860. He grew to manhood on the home farm, and was educated in the public schools and Airy View Academy. He began business life in partnership with his brother, Elijah Hower, under the firm name H. C. Hower and Brother, lumbermen, operating largely in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. This business they have successfully conducted until the present, operating portable saw mills and one permanent saw mill in Maryland that employs fifty men and produces six million feet of lumber annually. The three portable mills employ about sixty men and operate in different localities. The firm are also large wholesalers of lumber, handling besides their own product the output of about thirty-five mills in Pennsylvania, Virginia and Maryland. They have been a very successful firm, growing from an humble plant consisting of one small portable saw mill, to their present prosperous proportions. The business has been wisely conducted, each brother seconding the efforts of the other and both working energetically for their common good. Henry C. Hower is a director of the Juniata Valley National Bank, at Mifflintown, and interested in all that helps that borough to advance materially or morally. He is a Progressive in politics, but never has sought or accepted office from any party. He is an attendant of the Lutheran church, his wife a member of the Port Royal congregation.

He married, in 1898, Jeannette Cleck, born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, daughter of William and Sarah M. Cleck. Children: Dwight, Wade, Joyce, Dorn. The family home and home business office is located at Port Royal, where the firm located in 1900.

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The Book family came to Pennsylvania from Germany, BOOK settling first in Lancaster county, where John Book, a shoemaker, married Barbara Witmer. Later he abandoned his trade and engaged in farming. He was a Whig, served the township in various offices, and bore a good reputation; children: Catherine, married Lewis Evans; Elizabeth, married Isaac Price; Abraham, married Mary Keefer; John, of whom further; Samuel, married Annie Coder; David, died young; Daniel, married Miss Price of Huntingdon county; Esther, married Joseph Keefer; Martha, died unmarried; Henry, married Matilda Burkholder; Jacob. All these children lived and died in the Juniata Valley.

(II) John (2), son of John (1) and Barbara (Witmer) Book, was born in Lancaster county in 1804, died in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in May, 1881. He was a wealthy farmer and extensive land owner, but in later life converted his property into cash, which he invested in loans. He was a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife members of the religious sect known as River Brethren. He married Sarah, daughter of Adam Holtzapfel, a teamster of McAlisterville; she died in 1890; children: Jeremiah, died in infancy; Charles W., of further mention; Martha, married Michael Bashore, a farmer of Walker township; Margarette, married James Milliken, a farmer of Beaktownship; Sarah, married William Clark, a farmer of Fermanagh township; Mary, married Samuel A. Thomas, deceased, a farmer of Fermanagh township; William, died aged thirty-four; Thaddeus, twice married, a railroad man, now living in Harrisburg; Emma, married Thomas Crimmel, a farmer of Walker township; Henry and wife Priscilla, now living in Walker township, he is a farmer.

(III) Charles W., son of John (2) and Sarah (Holtzapfel) Book, was born in Fayette township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, December 13, 1835. He was reared a farmer and has followed that business almost his entire life. He married, May 6, 1866, Martha A. Milliken, born October, 1842, daughter of John and Isabella (Barkley) Milliken

of Beal township; children: J. Holmes, born February 5, 1868, married Hulda R. Kiser, and is now a farmer of Turbett township; Charles C., of whom further; Blanche, died aged nine years; Walter, born July 26, 1877, married Matilda Pitzman; children: Myra L., born October 13, 1901; Marian Jane, July 17, 1904; Charles W., June 27, 1907; Leona Blanche, April 19, 1909, died March 1, 1912; Catherine Pitzman, born February 27, 1912; Blanche, born 1881, married Jesse Boyer, a steel worker, residing in Steelton, Pennsylvania; George W., born February 22, 1885, now a farmer, residing in Walker township, married Agnes Rowe.

(IV) Charles Cleon, son of Charles W. and Martha A. (Milliken) Book, was born near Mexico, in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, October 24, 1869. He was educated in the public schools of Mexico, Mifflintown Academy and Eastman's Business College, a graduate of the latter institution, class of 1891. For about one year he was a clerk in the office of the county clerk at Lynchburg, Virginia, then returned to Juniata county and began teaching, a profession with which he has been connected until the present date (1913). His first school was in Turbett township, then engaged in Walker township schools, thence again to Turbett. Since 1900 he has also engaged in farming and stock raising, having a farm of fifty acres. He is interested as a stockholder in the People's National Bank of Mifflin and in the Lewistown Market Company. In politics, Mr. Book is a Republican; progressive in his beliefs, interested in public affairs, but never seeking office. He is highly regarded as an educator, but not less so as an upright, honorable citizen. Both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran Church; affiliated with the Port Royal congregation.

He married, in 1901, Anne Jane, daughter of John (2) Wisenhaupt, a prominent citizen of Turbett township, an elder and deacon of the Lutheran church for thirty years. She is a granddaughter of John (1) Wisenhaupt, born in Germany, came to Pennsylvania when young and became a prosperous farmer. He was an influential public official of Turbett township, and one of the first members of the Lutheran church in that township, assisted in building the first log house of worship, and took a leading part in all church affairs. Children of Charles C. and Anne Jane Book: Dorothy, born February 23, 1904; Sarah, November 20, 1905; Charles Wisenhaupt, November 15, 1912.

Rev. John Henry Melchior, pastor of the Church of  
MELCHIOR the Sacred Heart, Lewistown, Pennsylvania, is the  
son of John and Catherine Clara (Stegmeier) Mel-  
chior, both natives of the Kingdom of Bavaria, Germany, but met and  
married in the United States.

John Melchior was born in Bavaria in 1848. He came to the  
United States during the last year of the Civil War, hoping to join a  
brother who had preceded him to this country. He found that his  
brother had joined the Union some time before, and this decided the boy  
to himself enlist. Though young, he was large and muscular, which  
fact allowed him to pass the recruiting officer's inspection. Shortly after  
his enlistment, he learned that his brother had been killed in battle.  
After serving his term of enlistment, John Melchior settled in Columbia,  
Pennsylvania, where he was married. The young couple shortly after-  
ward located in Middletown, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Melchior became  
a wholesale shoe merchant, continuing successfully until 1905, when he  
moved to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and became proprietor of the Me-  
chanic's Hotel. He has been a director of the Farmer's Bank of Middle-  
town, and is yet a director of the Middletown Building and Loan Asso-  
ciation. He is a member of the German Lutheran church. He married,  
in Columbia, Catherine Clara Stegmeier, born in Bavaria in 1853, died  
in Lancaster, January 7, 1909, a member of the Roman Catholic church.  
She came to the United States when young, located first in Pottstown,  
thence to Columbia, Pennsylvania; children: Philip Jacob, who suc-  
ceeds his father in business at Lancaster, married Miss Herzog and has  
Helen and Magdalene; William, proprietor of the Wall House in Lan-  
caster, married Anna Smith and has: Frances, Marie and William (2);  
Rev. John Henry, of whom further; Marie, Katherine, married Walter  
Piskell and resides in Lancaster.

Rev. John Henry, son of John and Catherine Clara (Stegmeier)  
Melchior, was born in Middletown, Pennsylvania, August 11, 1873. He  
obtained his early education in the public and parochial school and at  
Pennsylvania Business College, Philadelphia. He became order clerk at  
the American Iron and Tube Mills in Middletown, continuing one year,  
then began his years of preparatory study for the priesthood. He en-  
tered La Petite Seminary, Montreal, Canada, but the severity of the  
climate drove him southward. He entered St. Mary's College at Em-



mitsburg, Maryland, whence he was graduated in 1898. He continued his studies in divinity at the Seminary of St. Charles at Overbrook, Pennsylvania, and in June was ordained a priest of the Roman Catholic Church by Archbishop Ryan. On June 6, 1901, he celebrated his first Mass at the church in Middletown, then for five years was assistant pastor of St. Anthony's at Lancaster, Pennsylvania. For the succeeding two years he was pastor of St. Mary's Church, York, Pennsylvania, thence to St. Mary's at Lebanon, Pennsylvania, for two years, then returned to St. Anthony's at Lancaster as acting pastor for ten days, thence to St. Edward's at Shamokin for five months. He was then located again at St. Anthony's for two months, and during that period was spiritual adviser to four Italians sentenced to be hung for murder, attending them until the drop fell. Rev. Melchior was then appointed pastor of St. Mary's at Berwick, Pennsylvania, remaining eighteen months, thence as pastor at Elizabethtown and a mission at Mt. Joy for three years. On May 1, 1912, he was appointed pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart at Lewistown and of St. Mary's at Burnham, his parish numbering one hundred and fifty families, worshipping in the two churches. Father Melchior is a faithful pastor and has been very successful in his several charges in creating a strong spiritual sentiment as well as in wisely ordering the temporal affairs of his parishes. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and of the Catholic Benevolent Legion. He is a Democrat in politics and always takes an active interest in local affairs. He is public-spirited and has many warm friends outside his own congregation.

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The Potters of Lewistown descend from John Potter of POTTER Princeton, New Jersey, a native of Ireland. The earliest record of this family is of James Potter, who married Catherine, daughter of Sir John Stewart, of Ballymoran, county Down, Ireland.

(II) John, son of James and Catherine (Stewart) Potter, was born at the residence of his grandfather, Sir John Stewart, at Ballymoran, county Down, Ireland, April 12, 1765. He emigrated to America in 1784, locating at Charleston, South Carolina, December 15, 1784. He married, August 22, 1791 (probably at Charleston, South Carolina), Catherine Fuller of Beaufort, South Carolina. He moved to Princeton.

New Jersey, in 1824, and there purchased an estate called "Prospect," on a part of which many of the buildings of Princeton University now stand. Children of John and Catherine (Fuller) Potter: 1. James, born August 2, 1793, died February 25, 1862, married, January 4, 1827, Sarah Jones Grimes, daughter of Dr. John and Catherine (Jones) Grimes, of Savannah, South Carolina. 2. Elizabeth Charlotte, died aged twenty months. 3. William Henry, an officer of the American Navy, died at the island of Syra in the Mediterranean, January 30, 1827, aged twenty-nine years. An inscription to this effect is on a stone in St. Michael's churchyard in Savannah, South Carolina. There is no record found of his marriage, but it is believed he was married and had a son, John (see forward). 4. Harriet Maria, born 1801, died April 1, 1862, married, March 4, 1823, Commodore Robert Field Stockton (grandson of Richard Stockton, signer of the Declaration of Independence). 5. John Hamilton, died September 12, 1808, aged four years and eight months. 6. Thomas Fuller, born December 2, 1806, died September 27, 1853. He married (first) September 19, 1843, Sarah Jane Hall, born January 18, 1818, died May 1, 1877, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Hall of Sunbury, Pennsylvania. The children who died in infancy are buried with their brother, William Henry, at Savannah, while the other three are buried with their families in Trinity churchyard, Princeton, New Jersey.

(IV) John (2), grandson of John (1) Potter and believed to be the son of William Henry Potter, died in Princeton, New Jersey. He was a well-to-do farmer, owning two hundred acres of well-improved farm land. He married and had children: Charles, of whom further; William H., a farmer, of Daysville, Virginia, and Nelson, also a farmer, of Daysville.

(V) Charles, son of John (2) Potter, was born in Trenton, New Jersey, in 1844. He inherited one-third of his father's estate and lived in Princeton until after the death of his wife, March 21, 1822, then in 1883 moved with his brothers to Virginia, settling in Loudoun county, purchased a good oil farm and there resides, passing his winters in Florida. In the civil war he enlisted in the Ninth Regiment New Jersey Volunteers, served three years, and was honorably discharged with the rank of corporal. He is a Republican in politics and a member of the Baptist church. He married (first) Caroline M. Bodine, born in Cran-

berry, New Jersey, in 1849, there married and died in Princeton, March 21, 1882. She was a daughter of Peter Bodine, of Monmouth county, New Jersey, descendant of Jean Bodine ("Jean Boudin, fugitive Medit"), born in France at the village of Medis, along the Gironde, and was naturalized in London, England, October 14, 1681, along with his second wife, Esther Bridon. He died on Staten Island, New York, as early as 1695, leaving a son, Jean (2), and a daughter, Marianne. Jean (2) Bodine left a will dated January 7, 1707, in which he mentions brothers Eleazor and François, also sisters Esther and Mary (see Bard's Huguenot Emigration, Vol. II, pp. 38 and 39). The New Jersey family descend from François, son of Jean Bodine, the emigrant. François Bodine had a son, Jean (John), born 1727, who married and had a son Abraham, who married Mary Low. Their seventh child, Cornelius, baptized November, 1755, died June 12, 1820, served in the Revolution and fought at the battle of Monmouth. His second son, Peter, baptized March 25, 1781, at Readington, New Jersey, died in 1843 at Ovid, New Jersey. His son, Peter (2) Bodine, settled at Cranberry, New Jersey, where he was a contractor and builder until his death. He left issue: John, died at Ashbury Park, New Jersey; Charles, died on the homestead in Cranberry, New Jersey; Emerson, died in Hightstown, New Jersey; Caroline M., first wife of Charles Potter, died in Princeton, New Jersey; Eliza, married Joseph Thompson and lived in Trenton, New Jersey. After moving to Virginia Charles Potter married (second) Sarah Snyder, who bore him six children. Children of Charles Potter by his first wife, Caroline M. Bodine: 1. Mary J., married Edward Dawson, both deceased. 2. Emerson, of whom further. 3. Sarepta, married Thomas Sillex and lives at Fairfax, Virginia. 4. Margaret B., married William Spain and lives at Fredericksburg, Virginia. 5. Arthur J., resides at Falls Church, Virginia, chief wire inspector for the Bell Telephone Company in northern Virginia; is married. Children of Charles Potter and his second wife, Sarah Snyder: 6. Caroline, married Mr. Robey and resides at Fairfax, Virginia. 7. Adelaide, deceased. 8. William. 9. Pearl. 10. Paul, twin of Pearl. 11. Lillian. 12. Sylvia.

(VI) Emerson, son of Charles Potter and his first wife, Caroline M. Bodine, was born in Trenton, New Jersey, December 8, 1870. He attended the public school and also from his eighth to thirteenth year worked in the Trenton potteries. He was thirteen years of age when

the family moved to Loudoun county, Virginia, where he spent two years on his father's farm. Later he went to Belleville, Maryland, where he learned the undertaking business, remaining there three years, then working at the same business in Washington, D. C. In 1891 he came to Lewistown, where he entered the employ of W. A. Felix, continuing with him five years. In 1896 he started in business for his own account, locating his undertaking establishment at the corner of Valley and Chestnut streets, continuing in successful business at that location until 1903. He then moved to the building he had erected at Nos. 121 and 123 Valley street, a three-story building, combining his mortuary establishment and residence. He is well established in business and has a perfectly appointed establishment. In 1906 he was elected coroner of Mifflin county, and is now serving his third consecutive term. Recently a vacancy occurred in the sheriff's office, caused by the death of the elected incumbent, and Mr. Potter, as the law provides, assumed the duties of the sheriff's office until a successor was appointed, a period of eight days. He is a Republican in politics and candidate for high sheriff of Mifflin county, member of the Knights of Malta, American Mechanics, Knights of the Maccabees, Loyal Order of Moose, Fraternal Order of Eagles; and both he and his wife are members of the Baptist church.

He married, in 1896, Elizabeth McCauley, born in Mifflin county, daughter of Mathew G. McCauley, a minister of the German Baptist church (Dunkard). Children: Mahlon E., born May 30, 1897; Gladys E., May 4, 1901.

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For many generations the Henry family has lived in HENRY Pennsylvania. The immigrant, — Henry, came from England in 1668, and located first in Massachusetts, afterward going to Connecticut. His sons wandered into Pennsylvania, saw the land was fertile, the climate healthful, and decided to make here their homes. They brought with them their families, and from them has sprung the present Henry family.

(1) Adam Henry, the first of whom there is definite knowledge, was born February 4, 1838, in Decatur township, and moved at an early age with his parents to Armaugh township, there receiving his education. He began farming immediately on leaving school, and continued in that



occupation during his life. He passed his last days in Milroy, where he lived about fifteen years. He died November 10, 1908, and his wife died May 5, 1882. He married Susannah Hassinger, daughter of Frederick Hassinger, an old resident of Armaugh township, of German extraction. The children of Adam and Susannah (Hassinger) Henry were: 1. Fannie, deceased. 2. Reed. 3. Charles E., of whom further. 4. Francina. 5. Anna. 6. Alice. 7. Frinnie. 8. Calvin. 9. Died in infancy.

(II) Charles E., son of Adam and Susannah (Hassinger) Henry, was born September 29, 1868, in Armaugh township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was born and reared on the parental farm, was educated in the public schools of the township, and at the Milroy High School, where he was a close student. On leaving school, he applied himself to learning the carpenter's trade, working early and late at it, and studying the latest and most approved methods of carpentry. June 23, 1909, he began a thorough course in architecture in the Scranton (Pennsylvania) I. C. S., and has since then been a contractor and builder, branching out with each month, and ever in the market for building contracts. For quite a while he lived in Clearfield, Pennsylvania, where he contracted for and erected some of the handsomest buildings in the town. He moved to Reedsville in 1906, and has built many of the homes in the little city, and some of the public buildings, notably the annex of the Reedsville school. He also built the Thompson Brothers' dye house at Milroy. He is a manufacturer of concrete building blocks and bricks, a business that is extending rapidly. He is a Democrat, a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle and of the Congregational church. He married, March 17, 1896, Frances Edith McClenahen, born in Armaugh township, July 23, 1871, daughter of Francis McClenahen (see McClenahen, this work) who represents a family that has long been an integral part of Pennsylvania. In 1909 Mr. Henry built for himself a beautiful home on Walnut street, Reedsville, and the greater part of the latest style furniture he made himself, taking much pride in so doing. He has no children.

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The Robison name has been linked for over a century  
ROBISON and a half with the fair name and high fortunes of the  
state of Pennsylvania. Early English settlers in the  
province in the days when, where are now opulent cities, live towns, busy

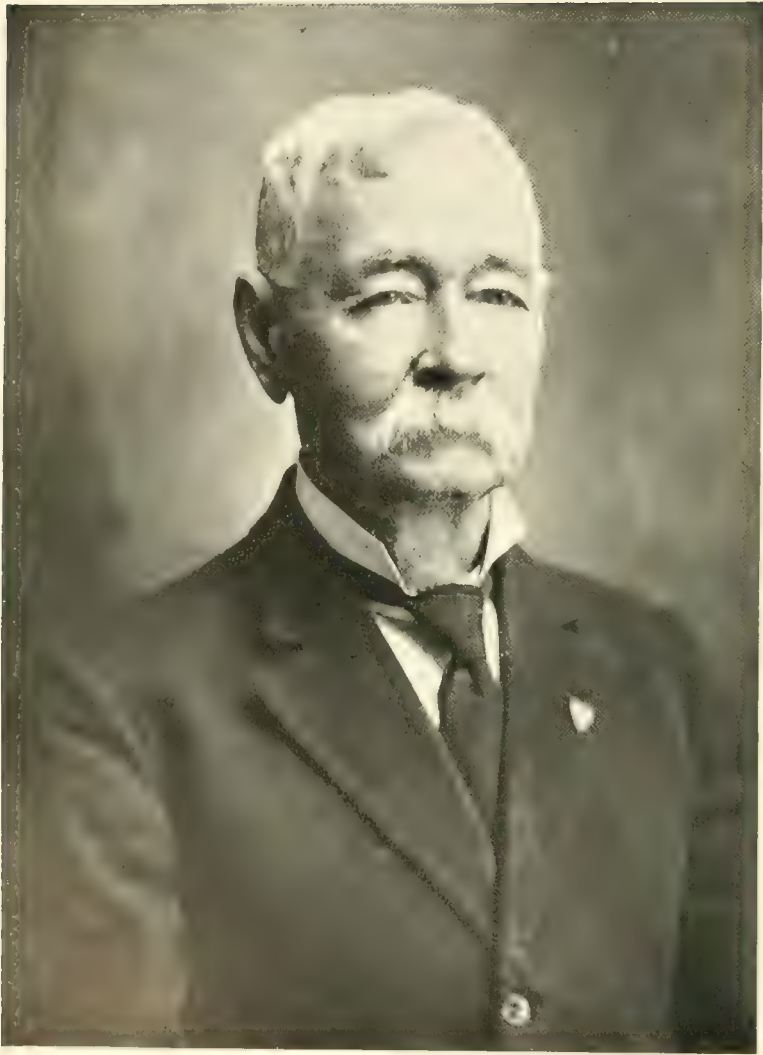
villages, there was but a wilderness infested with wild beasts and wilder men, when the forests were almost impenetrable, they have maintained their share, generation by generation, in making the state one of the richest and most desirable in the sisterhood of the Union.

(II) James Robison, son of James Robison, a pioneer of Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, dating back to 1724, came to Milford township, Juniata county, from Cumberland, located there, and eventually died. Among his children was John, of whom further.

(III) John, son of James Robison, was born near Mifflintown, then Mifflin county, about 1792; later he settled in Milford township, where he engaged in farming. He was a prominent man of his community, an elder in the Presbyterian church, and aided in erecting the first church edifice of that denomination in Mifflintown. He was a Whig in politics, advocating the policies of that party; but when the Republican party was organized he became one of its strongest supporters, and was prominent in its councils until the time of his death, which occurred in 1888, at the age of ninety-six. He married (first) Jane Kincaid, born in Mifflintown, and died in the fifties, at the age of fifty. Children: 1. James, died in Atlantic City, aged fifty-two years. 2. Joseph Shelburn, deceased. 3. John K., of whom further. Mr. Robison married (second) Mary McCrum, and to them one child was born: Harvey, who died aged twelve.

(IV) Colonel John K. Robison, son of John and Jane (Kincaid) Robison, was born in Milford township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, July 17, 1829. He received his education in the common schools of the township and on leaving them, while yet a youth, he farmed with his father. Later he purchased a farm, brought it up to a high state of productiveness, farmed on it for years, and sold it in 1912 to Henry Lauver, his son-in-law. In 1896 he came to Mifflintown, Juniata county, and built a home at East End, where he now lives. When the civil war began he enlisted, in July, 1861, in Company A, First Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was elected captain. He went to the front and served nine months in that regiment. He resigned from it and assisted in organizing the Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry and again went to the front as its captain. He was promoted, for signal bravery, to the office of lieutenant-colonel in the same regiment, commanded and served in it until the close of the war. He was with Sheridan during much of that general's





*J K Robison*



campaign. Colonel Robison was twice wounded: first, in October, 1863, on a retreat near Auburn Mills, Virginia, and again at Farmersville, Virginia, on the way to Appomattox. He is a Republican in politics, and takes an active interest in local, state and national issues. Colonel Robison served in the Pennsylvania state senate from 1867 to 1870, serving on important committees. He was a member of Governor James A. Beaver's staff, with the rank of lieutenant-colonel. He is a member of the David H. Wilson Grand Army Post, No. 134, and also the Union Veteran Legion, comprised of the three-year men. He is a member of the Presbyterian church. Colonel Robison married (first), in 1850, Isabella McKinnan, who was born in Juniata county, a daughter of Patrick William McKinnan, an early settler in Juniata county. He married (second) Rebecca M. Crawford, in May, 1892, a native of Mifflintown, and a daughter of Dr. David Crawford. Children by first marriage: 1. Albert, graduated from Law Department of Princeton College; was solicitor for Union Pacific railroad; died in Idaho. 2. William, died aged six. 3. Emma, died aged four. 4. James K., of whom further. 5. Mary, married Henry Lauver, a farmer of Milford township. 6. Laura, married Elmer Stoner, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. 7. Cora, died aged eighteen. 8. Ella, married James Sartian, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Children by second marriage: 9. Ellen Crawford, born March 28, 1893, a graduate of Glen Eden Seminary of Poughkeepsie, New York. 10. John K., born 1894, now a student in State College.

(V) James K., son of Colonel John K. and Isabella (McKinnan) Robison, was born in the Robison homestead December 9, 1857. He was reared on the farm and educated at the public school in Milford township, and at Port Royal Academy under Professor David Wilson. He engaged in work on the farm, and when he was twenty years old he learned the coachmaking trade and established himself in that business in Mifflintown in 1881. He entered into partnership with B. C. Wagner, under the firm name of Wagner and Robison. In 1908 the senior partner died and Mr. Robison is now sole proprietor, and has a large, ever-increasing and lucrative patronage. He owns a fine residence on Third street in Mifflintown, and has a place of business on same street. He is a Republican and has been a member of the council. He is a member of the Presbyterian church and has been since he was twenty-two.

Mr. Robison married, March 1, 1883, Catherine Goshen, born in

Mifflintown, a daughter of Henry and Eliza (Howe) Goshen, who were among the early settlers of Mifflin county. Mr. Goshen was a pioneer blacksmith and his smithy was known far and wide. Children of J. K. Robison: 1. Arabella, born in 1885; married J. C. Wilson, of Altoona, Pennsylvania, an employee of the Pennsylvania railroad. 2. Alma V., born in 1887; married James Sterrett, of Mifflintown. 3. Eliza Howe, born in 1889; married Ralph Lucas, assistant cashier in Trenton (New Jersey) Bank. 4. Catherine, deceased. 5. James Kenney, Jr., born in 1897, a student in high school.

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The Gutshall family of Pennsylvania, of which G. GUTSHALL W. Gutshall, of Blain, Pennsylvania, is a member, was established in Pennsylvania before the revolutionary war. The emigrant ancestor came to the New World from Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, about 1762, landing at Philadelphia. His son was a soldier in the war of the revolution.

(I) George Gutshall, a descendant of the emigrant of the same name, was a native of Berks county, Pennsylvania, and was born about 1780, perhaps earlier. He was a valiant soldier in the war of 1812, at which time he had been married to Barbara Spohn, a native of Berks county, several years, as their first child was born in 1808. After peace was declared between the United States and Great Britain he returned to his farm and continued in that peaceful vocation until his death. He was a very successful agriculturist and accumulated a handsome estate before his death, at which time he owned one hundred and sixty-five highly productive acres of land. Both he and his wife were members of the German Lutheran church, and were greatly respected by their fellow citizens and co-religionists. Children: 1. Daniel, of whom further. 2. Samuel, a farmer, died in Kansas; married Elizabeth Hollabaugh. 3. Solomon, a farmer in Perry county, Pennsylvania; married Elizabeth Rhinesmith. 4. William, a farmer in Franklin county, Pennsylvania. 5. Frederick, married Susan Rhinesmith. 6. Abraham, unmarried. 7. John, died soon after reaching majority. 8. Lydia, married Jacob Ensminger. 9. Hannah, married Solomon Roth, a farmer.

(II) Daniel Gutshall, son of George and Barbara (Spohn) Gutshall, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, December, 1808, and died

in Blain, Pennsylvania, May, 1885. He received his education in the common schools of the township, and followed the occupation of farming all of his life in Jackson township. He retired from active work in 1874, eleven years previous to his death. He was one of the leading and successful men of his township and one of its most esteemed citizens. He was a Democrat in politics and a member of the Lutheran church, as was his wife. He married Sarah Bower, born in Madison township, Perry county, Pennsylvania, April, 1809, who died in Blain June, 1886, a daughter of Abraham and Barbara Bower. Children: 1. Jane, married John Tressler, a farmer of Perry county. 2. Mary B., married George Kern, a retired farmer. 3. William B., a farmer, and who served as county commissioner from 1887 to 1892; married Emma Rice. 4. Solomon, born January 13, 1839, a farmer and hotel proprietor; married Margaret Wagner; one child, Charles B. 5. Caroline, married Amos Watts. 6. Sarah B., married David Bower, a farmer and hotel proprietor. 7. Diana, married Wilson Morrison. 8. Wilson, a blacksmith; married Susan Draybenstock. 9. Abraham, a blacksmith and railway employee in California. 10. Harry W., died in 1874; married Mary Johnson. 11. George Washington, of whom further. 12. Malinda, died aged twelve. The parents of Mrs. Gutshall, Abraham and Barbara Bower, were old-time residents of Madison township, near Andersonburg, Perry county, and were among the prominent people of that section. He was a Democrat and was Democratic commissioner of Perry county for years. He was a land owner and did general farming on an extensive scale. Both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church, and lie side by side in the cemetery near Andersonburg. Children: 1. A son, died soon after reaching majority. 2. Josephine, married Jonathan Arnold. 3. Rebecca, married Jacob Wentz. 4. Sarah, married Daniel Gutshall. 5. Elizabeth, married John Beaver. 6. Lydia N., married George M. Loy. 7. Diana, unmarried. 8. Mary, married Daniel Garber. There were other children, but of their births and deaths and subsequent wanderings and marriages no records have been kept.

(III) George Washington Gutshall, son of Daniel and Sarah (Bower) Gutshall, was born April 14, 1852, in Jackson township, Perry county, Pennsylvania. He received his education at the Red Hill public school in Jackson township, and on completing his studies

he assisted his father on the farm. In 1889 he purchased a farm in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, improved it, erected houses thereon and brought it to a high state of fertility. This he sold in 1892 and moved to a place near Andersonburg. In 1902 he moved to Blain and in 1905 he entered the grain and feed business, also incorporating coal with the two former. He has continued in this to the present time (1913). He was appointed assistant station agent at Blain. He is a Democrat in politics, a member of the Junior Mechanics and of the Lutheran church, as is his wife.

He married, September 15, 1874, Celestia Bennett, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Bolling) Bennett, who were former residents of Adams county, but later of Juniata county. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Gutshall: 1. William, born July, 1876; married May Richard. 2. Sarah E., born 1878; married Mitchell Morrow, of Pittsburgh. 3. Ira W., a farmer in Jackson township; married Grace Drumgole. 4. Mary B., unmarried. 5. Margaret Jane, married Clark Drumgole. 6. George L., in Pittsburgh, preparing himself to teach.

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Creigh Patterson, of Blain, Pennsylvania, descends PATTERSON from Scotch-English and German ancestors who were old settlers in Pennsylvania. His English forbear was Creigh Patterson, who came to America by way of Scotland, where he was connected with the Patterson clan. He reached the New World before the revolution, and was a member of the Royal Americans under Lord Jeffrey Amherst in his campaign against the French and Indians. It is not known if his wife accompanied him, or whether he married a colonial lassie, probably the latter. After the Declaration of Independence, when he was advanced in years and too old for active service in the field, he sent his sons to fight for the cause he espoused, and he became known far and near as an ardent patriot.

(1) Creigh Patterson, a descendant of Creigh Patterson the emigrant, was born in the early part of the nineteenth century, in the state of Pennsylvania. He married Sarah Stambaugh, daughter of a German-American farmer, also of Pennsylvania, and prominent in his community. After his marriage to Miss Stambaugh, Mr. Patterson purchased a large tract of wild land in Tyrone township, Perry



county, cleared, improved and lived on it until his death. He was one of the public-spirited citizens of the township and gave his influence to every proposition that was for the public good. Both he and his wife were members of the Church of God, and were active in their support of it. He was one of the wealthy men of his day and community, and left a handsome estate to his heirs. Children: 1. Francis, a farmer; unmarried. 2. John, a farmer in Tyrone township; married Anna Lightner. 3. George, of whom further. 4. William, died in infancy. 5. Harry, died in infancy.

(II) George Patterson, son of Creigh and Sarah (Stambaugh) Patterson, was born March 13, 1846, in Perry county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the common schools of the township, and on completing his course he entered the pedagogic profession and taught for more than twelve terms, and established for himself an enviable reputation as a teacher and disciplinarian. Giving up this profession, he entered the mercantile field and located at Landisburg, where he soon built up a large and lucrative business, which he continued until 1905, when he retired. In 1907 he was elected associate judge and served until 1912, with honor to himself and the satisfaction of his fellow citizens. He is a staunch Republican, working for and voting the ticket. He married Elizabeth Rhinesmith, born March 12, 1847, in Perry county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Henry and Fannie (Souder) Rhinesmith. Mr. Patterson is a member of the Church of God, and his wife of the German Reformed church. Children: 1. Creigh, of whom further. 2. Harry, a railway employee in Idaho. 3. Fred, a jeweler in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. 4. Marie, lives at home. The parents of Mrs. Patterson, Henry and Fannie (Souder) Rhinesmith, were born in Perry county, and were directly descended from hardy German families who emigrated to Pennsylvania about the latter part of the eighteenth century. Mr. Rhinesmith was a land owner and a successful farmer, living near Landisburg, Pennsylvania, nearly thirty years, and dying there. He was a Democrat in politics and was associate judge of Perry county for many years. Children: 1. William, a farmer; married Margaret Kennedy. 2. Elizabeth, married George Patterson. 3. James, a stock dealer in Alinda, Spring township. 4. Alice, married Thomas Graham. 5. Ida, married Charles Eaton.

(III) Creigh Patterson, son of George and Elizabeth (Rhinesmith)

Patterson, was born April 28, 1883, in Landisburg, Perry county, Pennsylvania. He received his preparatory education in the schools at Landisburg, later attending that of Mercersburg, Pennsylvania. He matriculated at the Pennsylvania State College, graduating in 1903. Leaving college, he was appointed assistant cashier of the bank of Landisburg, which position he retained until 1906, when he moved to Blain and was appointed cashier of the bank. He has since formed a partnership in a lumber company under the firm name of Bistline, Patterson Company. He is a Republican in politics but has never held an office. Is a bright member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Lodge No. 706, of Blain. His wife belongs to the Methodist Episcopal church.

He was married, January 10, 1911, to Mary Kline, daughter of William and Catherine (Mumper) Kline, the former a farmer of Jackson township, Perry county. Child: George William, born November 24, 1911.

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Frederick Sheaffer, the earliest ancestor of this family to come to America, was born in Germany, where he was a tiller of the soil, coming to this country and settling in Perry county, Pennsylvania, where he passed the remainder of his days in the occupation of farming. By his wife, Elizabeth, he had a number of children, among whom were: William, Peter, Jane, Sarah, and Daniel; the last named being further mentioned below.

(II) Daniel Sheaffer, son of Frederick and Elizabeth Sheaffer, was born in Perry county, where he grew to maturity and where he became a blacksmith, a calling which he followed all his life. He served for a short time in the Union army during the war between the states; after which he returned home and died eventually in Perry township. He was a Republican in politics, and was a member of the German Reformed church, to which his wife also belonged. She was a Miss Rebecca Sheibley, born in Perry county, and dying as did also her husband, in Perry township. Children: Olivia, married S. P. Kern, now deceased, who was a justice of the peace of Blain, Perry county; Fred F., of further mention; William, a blacksmith on the homestead in Blain, who married first, a Miss Snyder, and second,

Ida Nesbit; Samuel, a shipping clerk in Pittsburgh, unmarried; Alomia, married Joseph Wilt, a farmer of Perry county; Ella, married Thomas Kinslow, a Chicago salesman; Gertrude, married William Kennedy, a Chicago plumber.

(III) Fred F. Sheaffer, son of Daniel and Rebecca (Sheibley) Sheaffer, was born November 22, 1856, in Perry county. He became a merchant, conducting business first in Perry county and afterward in Mifflin county, having removed to McVeytown in the year 1888; here he has been a jeweler ever since coming to the place, and has been very successful in his career, having first been associated with the firm of Sheibley and Sheaffer. He is one of the best known citizens and merchants of this city, and is widely respected, not only in his business dealings but in his social relations as well. In politics Mr. Sheaffer is a member of the Republican party. He is now a member of the Presbyterian church, as is also his wife; though he was formerly a member of the German Reformed denomination. He has been twice married; his first wife was a Miss Clara Peck, born August 26, 1854, in Perry county, the marriage taking place in that county in October, 1875. She was a daughter of John and Phoebe (Hench) Peck, both of whom were born in Perry county. Mr. Peck was a farmer and land owner in the county and a very prominent man in the place. He was a Republican and a member of the Reformed church, as was also his wife, the mother of Mrs. Sheaffer; for he was twice married. By his first wife, who was a Miss Hall, he had four children: Floyd, Jerome, Scott, and Coler. By his marriage to Phoebe Hench he had seven children: John and George, who remained unmarried; Belle, married James Frantz; Clara, who became Mrs. Sheaffer; Anna, married Ferd Miller; Jennie, became Mrs. Aughe, and is now deceased; Alice, died unmarried at the age of twenty-two years.

After the death of the first Mrs. Sheaffer, on February 9, 1905, Mr. Sheaffer married again, his second wife having been a Miss May Corkle before her marriage. By his first wife Mr. Sheaffer had children: Charles E., of further mention; May, born 1879, died 1910; Walter, born 1891, clerk in a Pittsburgh freight office, unmarried; Ralph, born 1894, a graduate of McVeytown High School, 1913. No issue by second marriage.

(IV) Charles E. Sheaffer, son of Fred F. and Clara (Peck) Sheaf-

fer, was born December 22, 1876, at Ickesburg, Perry county, Pennsylvania. His education was acquired in the public schools of the vicinity until his graduation at high school in 1895, when he at once took a preparatory course at private school and was admitted to Easton Optical College, from which he was graduated in 1896. He became interested in insurance, and for seven years has been the general insurance agent for McVeytown, covering both life and fire departments. To this branch of his activities has been united his mercantile pursuits in which he has been extremely prosperous; in 1911 he bought out the general store and has conducted this ever since with continuing success. His influence in the community is very keenly felt and he has been active in local politics, being a member of the Republican party, in whose interests he has been borough auditor for many years. Mr. Sheaffer is also prominent in social and fraternal affairs in the borough, being a member of the Masonic order of McVeytown; he is secretary of Blue Lodge, No. 376, Free and Accepted Masons, and belongs also to the Redmen, No. 349, of which he is secretary, to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, No. 705, and to the Elks of Lewistown, No. 663. He stands high in the community as a churchman, being a member of the Presbyterian church, of whose Sunday school he is secretary and treasurer.

On November 26, 1905, Mr. Sheaffer was married to Miss Rilla Sides, of McVeytown, daughter of Gottlieb and Eliza Sides, prominent residents of the county and of German descent. Mrs. Sheaffer is also a member of the Presbyterian church, in which her husband has been an active and efficient worker. Mr. and Mrs. Sheaffer have one daughter, Eveline, born January 9, 1908.

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Mordecai Gahagan, deceased, an honored soldier of GALLAGAN the civil war, and for nearly a half-century engaged in the smithing business in Huntingdon, was a son of Thomas and Salome (Heckathorne) Gahagan.

Thomas Gahagan was a native of Huntingdon, there was educated in the common schools, cultivated his farm, and, after a long life of usefulness, died. He was an ardent Democrat and both he and his wife, Salome Heckathorne, were members of the Methodist Episcopal church; children: William, a railroad employee; John, a farmer of



Shavers Creek, Pennsylvania; Mordecai (see forward); Jonathan, a farmer of Newton Hamilton, Pennsylvania; Ann, married James Campfield; Lewis, a blacksmith, now living in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, retired; Adolph, a farmer; James, a farmer; Henry, a farmer, now deceased.

Mordecai Gahagan was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, June 26, 1836, died in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, December 9, 1910. He was educated in the public schools of Shavers Creek, Pennsylvania, and on arriving at suitable age, began learning the blacksmith's trade. He became an expert worker in iron and steel, working as a journeyman smith until 1863, when he established his own shop in Huntingdon, continuing there in successful business until his retirement in 1909, just one year prior to his retiring to an eternal rest. He was a soldier of the civil war, serving a term of nine months in the 125th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was engaged at the battle of Antietam and saw much actual service before receiving honorable discharge at the end of his term of service. It was on his return from the war in 1863 that he located in Huntingdon. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and a faithful, earnest follower of the teachings of that church. He was a good smith, a good soldier and a good citizen. He married, in 1863, Melissa, born June 19, 1842, in Huntingdon county, daughter of Asel and Hannah (Brumbaugh) Hight. She was educated in the public schools and survives her husband, a resident of Huntingdon. She is a member of the United Brethren church and is highly respected in her community; child: Thomas, born October 7, 1864, in Huntingdon county; was educated in the public schools of Huntingdon. He is a mechanical engineer and for the past twenty-five years has been employed by several of the large contracting firms. He was for eight years in the employ of the Warren Webster Vacuum Company, who sent him on important work to Appleton, Wisconsin, where he remained three years before completing the operations under his charge. Since 1910 he has been in the employ of the Day & Zimmerman Company at Williamsburg, Pennsylvania. He is a Republican in politics; his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

He married, in 1886, Anna, daughter of Logan and Maria Martin—he a farmer. Children: i. Irma, born in 1887, married Harry

Strickler, a traveling salesman, and has a son, Richard Gahagan Strickler. ii. Logan, born in 1892, died aged thirteen.

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Ralph Barbin Cassady, of Mt. Union, Pennsylvania, CASSADY has behind him an honorable line of Irish ancestry.

Like so many of that hardy and independent race of people who have joined forces with the citizens of the United States, they have assisted materially in the financial, social and moral upbuilding of this country.

(I) Thomas Cassady, the grandfather of Ralph Barbin Cassady, was born in Ireland, and came to America while yet a young man. He first engaged in lumbering in Pennsylvania and later purchased land on which he farmed. He was an ardent Republican in politics, supporting the ticket on all occasions. While a loyal citizen of the United States, he still held property in Ireland, which passed to his heirs at his death. He was the parent of eleven children, among them being Charles, a dairyman in Pennsylvania, and Owen, of whom further.

(II) Owen Cassady, son of Thomas Cassady, the Irish emigrant, was born in 1859, in Pennsylvania. He was sent to Vermont to school, and on finishing his education engaged in the pedagogic profession in Canada for several years. He then turned his energies toward the mercantile business and for years was a merchant in Canada. Later he came to Pennsylvania, where he established himself in Mifflin county. He purchased a farm of two hundred acres, which he cultivated. He extended his commercial holdings by the purchase of one-half interest in the Lucy Furnace, an estate which had a holding of three hundred acres. He retired from active business, moving to Mt. Union, Mifflin county, where he is a man of prominence and influence. He is a steward of the Methodist Episcopal church and one of its most valued members. He is a Republican, and was elected tax collector on that ticket; was a delegate to the Republican state convention from Mifflin county, and has served on the school board as director. He married, in 1883, Martha J. Barbin, daughter of Alexander and Susan Barbin, prominent people of that section, where he was the owner and successful farmer of over four hundred acres of fertile land. He retired and lived at Newton Hamilton until his death. Children of Mr.

and Mrs. Cassady: 1. Died in infancy. 2. Twin of above, died in infancy. 3. Ralph Barbin, of whom further. 4. Russel J., died in boyhood.

(III) Ralph Barbin Cassady, son of Owen and Martha J. (Barbin) Cassady, was born April 29, 1885, at Long Hollow, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public school at Lucy Furnace and at the Mt. Union Academy, later matriculating at the Juniata College in 1904. In the fall of 1905 he accepted a position with the Harbis and Walker Brick Company as chainman. He was offered, and accepted, the position of assistant clerk in the same company, and then was promoted to the place of chief clerk, which he holds to the present time (1913). He is one-third owner of the Bell, Harrison and Cassady Company, a local concern. He is a progressive Republican, clerk of the council, is largely interested in all matters pertaining to education and in the promotion and development of music.

He married, in 1906, Josephine Galbraith Miller, daughter of Andrew and Della J. Miller, of Huntingdon county, influential people of that county. To Mr. and Mrs. Cassady have been born two children, both of whom are dead.

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In 1756 there were living in Manheim township, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, Jacob, Stephen, Samuel and MYERS Martin Myre or Myer, now spelled Myers. Samuel and Jacob were smiths and owned one hundred acres of improved land each. Martin and Jacob were farmers, owning respectively two hundred and two hundred and fifty acres. Martin had at this time a saw and a grist mill, and in 1786 owned two mills. The history of the family is closely connected with that of the village of Oregon, in Manheim township, where Martin sold his mill in 1810, but retained his farming interest.

(I) Levi Myers, either a son or grandson of Martin Myers, was born in Manheim township, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, there grew to manhood, married and lived until 1868, when he moved to Franklin county, Pennsylvania, where he followed his trade of stone mason until his death, excepting one period of five years, when he engaged in farming. He died in Chambersburg, Franklin county, in the spring of 1894. Both he and his wife, Susan, were members of the

Reformed church. She died in 1880. Children: 1. John, died in childhood. 2. Mary, married Joseph Gabler, died in November, 1912. 3. Eliza, married Joseph Strawbridge, whom she survives, a resident of Chambersburg; child, Elizabeth. 4. David K., of whom further.

(II) David K., youngest son of Levi and Susan Myers, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, about 1850. He accompanied his parents to Franklin county in 1868 and there learned the cabinet-maker's trade, married and lived for many years. He worked at Orrstown seven years, then cultivated a farm in Franklin county, six years, then moved to Chambersburg, where he entered the employ of M. C. Stoner, and was also for eleven years assistant postmaster of Chambersburg. He next was employed by the Wolf Company, with whom he remained until his death. He was a member of the Heptasophs, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, and both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. He married Alice V. Seiders, born in Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, about 1851, who survives him, still residing in Chambersburg. She is the daughter of Samuel and Margaret Seiders, who were married in Shippensburg, where they resided until their removal to Chambersburg about 1890. Later they returned to Shippensburg where Margaret died in 1897. Later Samuel Seiders moved to Harrisburg where he is spending his last years with a daughter. He was a prosperous merchant of the two towns, Shippensburg and Chambersburg, for many years. Ten children: 1. A son, died in infancy. 2. Mamie, married Amos Hampshire and lived in Middle Spring. 3. Stewart, resides in Chambersburg. 4. Alice V., of previous mention, widow of David K. Myers. 5. Macfarland, now living in Philadelphia. 6. Belle, died aged about thirty-two years, unmarried. 7. Charles, a traveling printer, last heard from in Tucson, Arizona. 8. John, now a carpenter of Chambersburg. 9. Lou, married Dole Rebuck, and resides in Harrisburg. 10. William, of Chambersburg. Children of David K. and Alice V. Myers: 1. Harry Benton, of whom further. 2. Mary, resides with her mother in Chambersburg. 3. Samuel, a draughtsman for the Wolf Company; married Mina John, and resides in Chambersburg.

(III) Harry Benton, eldest son of David K. and Alice V. (Seiders) Myers, was born at Orrstown, Franklin county, Pennsylvania, Sep-





*Harry B. Myers.*



tember 1, 1872. He was educated in the public schools, finishing his studies in Chambersburg high school. He began business life as clerk in a gentleman's furnishing store, but, deciding upon a trade, became a molder at the Taylor Works, continuing until 1899, when he moved to Lewistown. He then entered the employ of the Standard Steel Works as molder, remaining until 1909. He then again entered mercantile life, opening a stationery store at No. 21 East Market street, Lewistown. He has established a profitable business and now has a well-stocked modern stationery and book store with a prosperous picture framing department. He is a Progressive in politics, and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. Fraternally he is connected with the Knights of Pythias. He married, May 14, 1895, Cora Bessor, born in Chambersburg, daughter of George and Emma Bessor. No issue.

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DOUGHERTY In 1682 James Dougherty, of County Cork, Ireland, landed at Boston, Massachusetts, and settled at Salem. He was a tailor by trade and did a thriving business mending the torn garments of the bachelors of that town. Tiring of the sober dress of the inhabitants, for rigid Puritanism was at that time at its height, and also of the social laws and customs of the Province of Massachusetts, he sought new pastures in which to ply his vocation. He went to New York by sailing vessel, landing at the spot that is now known as Battery Park. Here he married the daughter of an English emigrant and he established himself as a tailor. For many years he prospered greatly and Master Dougherty was in great demand by the beaux of the day who wished the latest London cut to their clothes. He reared a large family, the greater portion of whom left New York and wandered far afield into other colonies. A son, James, like his father a tailor, located in Philadelphia. Among his descendants was John, of whom further.

(II) John Dougherty, son of James Dougherty, was born about 1740, in Philadelphia. He was a soldier during the war of the revolution, enlisting from Philadelphia. Among his children was Edward, of whom further.

(III) Edward Dougherty, son of John Dougherty, was probably born in 1770. He followed the family occupation and was a tailor

by trade. He married Margaret Stackpole, whose father most probably came direct from Ireland to Philadelphia as there is a record that Isaac Stackpole landed in that town in 1780. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Dougherty: 1. Rosanna. 2. Margaret. 3. Nancy. 4. Barbara. 5. John, of whom further. 6. James, a merchant tailor.

(IV) John Dougherty, son of Edward and Margaret (Stackpole) Dougherty, was born July 25, 1803, at McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in a school of Lewistown presided over by his mother, also assisted by his father, and on reaching his majority he entered the mercantile business, continuing in that line of endeavor for some time. Later he engaged in construction work on the Allegheny Portage railroad. He was of an inventive turn of mind and among his notable inventions was the section boat, one of the most useful that transportation men had had up to that time. He became interested in transportation between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, during which time he moved to the former place and took up his abode, remaining in that city for three years. At the expiration of that time he moved back to Hollidaysburg, where he became interested in the Democratic Standard, a newspaper of the town, which he edited with notable success. Later he purchased a farm at Blair Station, and yet later bought and operated Blair's Furnace. Seeing the possibilities of that section, in conjunction with George W. Spear, he laid out the town of Mt. Union, after which he engaged in the Adams Express Company as one of its organizers, and also dealt in lumber and coal. He married, February 15, 1829, Catherine McElhenney, born August 5, 1810, daughter of James and Jane McElhenney. Children: 1. Margaret, born in 1830. 2. Edward James, born November 21, 1831. 3. Mary Felicitus, born October 13, 1833. 4. Theodore, born in 1836. 5. Eugene, born about 1838. 6. Victor V., born March 4, 1841. 7. Victoria E. Marie, of whom further. 8. Gerald J., born April 5, 1847. Mr. Dougherty died November 12, 1886.

(V) Victoria E. Marie Dougherty, daughter of John and Catherine (McElhenney) Dougherty, was born May 6, 1843, at Hollidaysburg, Blair county, Pennsylvania. She was educated in the public school of Mt. Union, where the family lived after it had been plotted by John Dougherty. Quitting school in Mt. Union Miss Dougherty was a student at the famous St. Joseph's Academy, in Maryland.





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Leaving school she returned home and was her mother's comfort and assistant until the death of both parents. She remained unmarried, and now makes her home in Mt. Union, where she is highly esteemed for her many sterling qualities, gentle manner and kindness of heart. She is one of the best known figures in Mt. Union, where she has virtually passed her life.

James McElhenney, the maternal grandparent of Miss Victoria E. Marie Dougherty, was born in Ireland and came to this country while yet a lad in search of the golden opportunity that eluded him in his native land. He was successful almost immediately on reaching Pennsylvania, where he located in the Juniata valley. He married Jane Bevins, who was born in Maryland. He was appointed esquire by the government, which position he filled for many years acceptably to his neighbors. They were both Catholics and reared their children in that faith. Children: 1. James. 2. Jane. 3. Anne. 4. Ellen. 5. Margaret. 6. William. 7. John. 8. Mary. 9. Catherine, married John Dougherty (see Dougherty IV). 10. Matilda. 11. Melinda. 12. Died in infancy. 13. Died in infancy. 14. Died in infancy.

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The grandfather of John D. Shull, was Simon Shull, a SHULL farmer, residing near New Bloomfield, Pennsylvania, where he died leaving issue, including a son, David.

(II) David, son of Simon Shull was born at the paternal farm, located four miles west of New Bloomfield, Pennsylvania, February 1, 1835, died in Marysville, Pennsylvania, December 12, 1911. He attended the public schools of that district and worked on the farm, later learning the carpenter's trade. After his marriage he settled on a farm in Fishing Creek Valley, later moving to Marysville, where he followed his trade. Some years later he again engaged in farming at Allen's Cove, returning to Marysville in August, 1900. He there established a bakery, which he successfully conducted until his death. He was a man of industry, ambition and thrift; his frequent removals always being in the line of better opportunities for himself and family. He was an ardent Democrat and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married, May 15, 1860, Leah Yohey, born October 13, 1839, at Rosstown, York county, Pennsylvania, daughter of George L. and Nancy (Brown) Yohey, who settled in Perry county when Leah

was yet a child. She resided there until her marriage, May 15, 1860, at Marklesville, Pennsylvania, by Rev. Samuel Kuhn of the Reformed church, of which she also was a member. Children of David and Leah Shull: 1. Clara Parmelia, married Harry E. Keel and resides in Marysville. 2. Emma Lydoma, married Charles W. Glass and resides in Duncannon, Pennsylvania. 3. Omia Elizabeth, died in infancy. 4. Annie Laurie, died in infancy. 5. Carrie Eleanora, married Joseph Fenicle and resides near Duncannon. 6. Grace Minerva, married Roy Mutzabaugh and resides at Waynesboro, Pennsylvania. 7. Elsie Evalina, married Charles Fenstermacher and resides at Duncannon. 8. Brinton McClellan, married Carrie Fenstermacher and resides in Lehighton, Pennsylvania. 9. Matilda Mary, married Weston J. Ellenberger and resides in Hollidaysburg. 10. Sarah Catherine, married Charles F. Yingst and resides in Pembroke, Pennsylvania. 11. Nancy Alberta, married George F. Albright and resides in Marysville. 12. John D., of whom further.

(III) John Dolan, youngest child of David and Leah (Yohey) Shull, was born at Marysville, Pennsylvania, August 19, 1885. He was educated in the public school at Allen's Cove and after the return to Marysville worked in the bakery established by his father and, under the direction of a skilled baker, was taught that trade. He gained both knowledge and experience in the art of baking, also in the method of conducting business, being able at his father's death to succeed him and continue to carry on the business already established and profitable.

He purchased the interests of the other heirs and after becoming sole owner, made improvements and extended his operations until now he covers with his wagons the town and country as far as Allen's Cove. Mr. Shull is an enterprising, progressive business man and citizen, held in high esteem in his town. He is treasurer of the board of trade and in 1911 was elected member of the town council on the Democratic ticket. He is a member of the Masonic order, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Patriotic Order Sons of America. He married, October 18, 1910, Mabel May White, born in Marysville, daughter of Samuel T. and Sarah Ellen (Brighton) White.

The Whites came from Berks to Perry county, Pennsylvania, later



to Marysville, Pennsylvania, where the parents of Samuel T. White died. His father was an iron worker and left Berks county at the time Cove Forge was established in Perry county.

Samuel T. White was born in Berks county, came to Perry county, when a boy and there grew to manhood, an iron worker. Later he moved to Marysville where he entered the employ of Seidel Brothers and so continues. He married Sarah Ellen Brighton in Duncannon, settled at Cove Forge, which was their home until the removal to Marysville. Children: 1. James Edward, of whom further. 2. Naomi, married Howard Seitz and moved to Baltimore, Maryland. 3. Mary, married Milton Arnold and resides in Lemoyne, Pennsylvania. 4. Mabel M., married John D. Shull, of previous mention. 5. Austin A. 6. Anna R. 7. Esther. 8. Percy.

James Edward White was born at Cove Forge, Perry county, Pennsylvania, December 8, 1879. He was educated in Marysville public school, but at the age of twelve became clerk in the grocery of J. S. Bitner, continuing with him twelve years, gaining a practical education and valuable business experience. In 1903, being then twenty-four years of age, he purchased the Adams general store in the Morley Building, Marysville, and for five years conducted a successful business at that location. He then purchased the E. W. Wise property opposite the Pennsylvania railroad station, including a store room, lodge room and dwelling. To this location he moved his business and there he continues, one of the substantial, successful business men of his town. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church and in politics Mr. White is a Republican. He married, April 6, 1907, Sarah Hipple, born in Dry township, daughter of John and Mary (Freed) Hipple, he born in Perry, his wife in York county, Pennsylvania.

After their marriage John and Mary Hipple settled on a farm in Dry township, where he died in 1903, his wife in 1912. He was a veteran of the civil war and both belonged to the Evangelical church. Mary Freed Hipple was a daughter of Joseph and Jane Freed of York county, Pennsylvania. Children: Cora May; Arbie E., deceased; Sarah, wife of James Edward White; Nettie Jane; Walter J.; and Richard B. Children of James E. and Sarah White: Paul Edward, born June 9, 1908; Josephine Lillian, December 1, 1911.

The paternal grandparents of Milton W. Derrick, proprietor of the Laird Hotel at Duncannon, Pennsylvania, were Gustav and Katherine (Johnson) Derrick, residents of Columbia, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. Gustav Derrick, of German parentage, was a farmer of Lancaster county all his active life, but after his retirement, moved to Columbia, where both he and his wife died. He was a Whig, later a Republican, and both were members of the German Lutheran church. Their only son was Richard J., of further mention.

(II) Richard J., only son of Gustav and Katherine (Johnson) Derrick, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and there grew to manhood. He was a farmer during his early life, but later became a hotel proprietor, having managed hotels in Herrville and Lancaster for the past eighteen years. Since 1911 he has kept the hotel at Herrville, Lancaster county. He is a Republican in politics and is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Knights of Pythias; Knights of Malta; Knights of the Golden Eagle and the Improved Order of Red Men. He married Anna Gochenaur, daughter of a German farmer of Province township, Lancaster county. She had brothers, Alonzo and Abner, the latter deceased; also two sisters, Ada and Lottie.

(III) Milton W., only son of Richard J. and Anna (Gochenaur) Derrick, was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, January 21, 1881. He was educated in the public schools of Columbia, Pennsylvania, and has spent his entire adult life in the hotel business. In 1903 he rented the Laird Hotel at Duncannon and in 1905 purchased the same property and continues in its management. He is a Republican in politics and belongs to the Knights of Pythias; Knights of Malta; Improved Order of Red Men and the Patriotic Order Sons of America.

He married, in 1902, Luta, daughter of John Mylin, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Children: Catherine, John, Anna, Richard.

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The first record of the Loy family in the Juniata Valley is found in Tyrone township, Perry county, where, in 1788, Michael Loy, a German emigrant, purchased one hundred and twenty acres taken up by John Sharp two years previous. On this tract the village of Loysville is built, named in 1842 in honor of

Michael Loy. In the same year, 1788, Michael Loy built the dwelling house and lived on his property until his death in 1815. He left eleven children: George; Nicholas, of whom further; John, moved to Ohio; Michael, purchased the homestead and resided thereon until his death; Mary, married Abram Ritter and settled near Elliotts Run; Catherine, married John Bernheisel and settled near Green Park; Eve, married Adam Bernheisel and moved west; Margaret, married a Lippert and settled in Cumberland county; Susan, married Nicholas Ickes and lived in Ickesburg; Elizabeth, married John Kepner of Juniata county; Barbara, married a Lupfer of Bloomfield.

(II) Nicholas, son of Michael Loy, settled first in Saville township on two hundred acres of land which he sold, with a saw mill, to George Loy, April 25, 1826. Nicholas Loy in 1820 was assessed on three hundred acres in Toboyne township, but does not appear to have lived there. After 1826 he moved to Centre township, where he resided until his death. He had by a first wife seven children—four sons, three daughters: John, one of the owners of Hench's tannery; Samuel, moved to Kansas; Jacob, settled in the west; William, settled in Clearfield county; his three daughters married William West, Jacob Stroop and John Titzel. By a second wife Nicholas Loy has two sons: Captain Andrew, and George M., a landowner of Madison township.

(III) Captain Andrew Loy, son of Nicholas Loy and his second wife, was born in Loysville, Tyrone township, Perry county, Pennsylvania. Later he became a landowner of Madison township. He married (first) a daughter of John Wormley, (second) Ann Eliza Linn, who died in 1911, a granddaughter of Rev. John Linn, identified with the early church history of Centre township, Perry county. After his marriage he bought out the heirs and became owner of the homestead, a farm of two hundred acres. He remodeled the brick house that stood thereon, which is still in use as a residence. He erected a new barn thereon, which is still in use as a residence. He generally put the old farm in good condition. Both he and his wife were members of the Centre Presbyterian Church, which Captain Andrew served as trustee for thirty years. He was an Independent in politics, voting for the man rather than the party. He served as school director and road supervisor, but devoted himself largely to his private affairs. Children of Andrew Loy, by his second wife: 1. Andrew Linn, now residing at St. Paul, Minnesota, a representative of

the Armour Company. 2. William Gettys, of whom further. 3. James, now living in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, one of the proprietors of the Indian Rug Company. 4. May, married James R. Wilson, cashier of the bank of Landisburg. 5. Edwin R., now residing on the old homestead.

(IV) William Gettys, son of Captain Andrew and Ann Eliza (Linn) Loy, was born near Centre Church in Madison township, Perry county, Pennsylvania, March 13, 1863. He was educated in the public schools and grew to youthful manhood on the home farm, his father's assistant.

In 1880 Mr. Loy entered the office of the Bloomfield Advocate, as printer's "devil," remaining two years, gaining a good knowledge of the printer's craft. He then went west and finished his apprenticeship in the office of the Transcript Publication Company, Springfield, Ohio. In accordance with printer's traditions he then went "on the road" and during the next eighteen years worked on about every metropolitan newspaper in the United States published between Boston, Massachusetts, and Portland, Oregon, north or south. About the year 1900 he returned to the Juniata valley and in partnership with his brother, Edwin R. Loy, engaged in the lumber business, with headquarters at Loysville until 1905 when they transferred to Newport, their present office headquarters. The firm manufacture ties and lumber used in railroad construction, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company being one of the largest customers; they also handle building lumber and supplies. They keep about twenty men constantly employed, operating two saw mills in Perry county, also handling the product of several other mills. The firm is a prosperous one, both brothers being men of fine business ability and experience. William G. Loy is a Democrat in politics; since 1911 has been a member of Newport school board and in 1913 was chosen president of the board. He is a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle; the Knights of Pythias and the Patriotic Order Sons of America. Both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

He married Olive Zimmerman, born in Ickesburg, Perry county, daughter of Thaddeus and Lucinda (Baker) Zimmerman, of an old valley family. Children: Anna Lucinda, Andrew Zimmerman, Thomas Linn. The family residence is also at Newport.





W. G. Hoy



The Wentzells came to Perry from Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, where both the father and grandfather of Clinton Hill Wentzell were born. The rise of Mr. Wentzell from the bound boy of six years, to the successful lumberman of to-day is a striking example of what an ambitious boy and a resolute man can accomplish.

(I) Daniel, son of ——— Wentzell, was born in Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, and there grew to manhood. About 1855 he settled in Perry county at Ellittsburg, where for a time he followed his trade of stonemason. He then engaged in farming at Duncannon and Blain, in the same county, continuing until the death of his wife, whom he survived two years, making his home with his daughter, Mrs. Lucinda Garber. Both Daniel Wentzell and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. He married Catherine Campbell. Children: Harriet, died aged twenty-six years; David, of whom further; Lucinda, married George Garber and resides in Blain; Caroline, died aged twenty-one years; Sinary, a veteran of the 8th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, now a farmer of the state of Iowa; Mary, married Abraham Bristline, both deceased; Ira, died in Bellewood, Pennsylvania, a merchant; Dennis, now a farmer; Sarah, married Jacob Loy and resides in Andersonburg; Luther, now living retired in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Martha Matilda, married George Barclay and resides in Center, Perry county, Pennsylvania; Anna, married Elmer Lighter and resides at Oakdale, Pennsylvania.

(II) David, son of Daniel Wentzell, was born in Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, September 10, 1839. He was a lad of about sixteen years when his parents moved to Perry county, where his after life was spent engaged in farming and merchandising. He settled at Blain, where for two years he cultivated a farm nearby, then establishing in general merchandise business in Blain. He was a successful merchant, remaining in active business until his death in 1876. He was a Republican; a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and both he and his wife belonged to the Lutheran church. He married (first) Susan Loy, who bore him: Luther Melancthon, now living in Blain; Ida, married John Bristline, residing in Blain and Orlando, a farmer near Duncannon. He married (second) Catherine, daughter of Benjamin and Alice (Stewart) Rice, and granddaughter of George and Catherine Rice. The maternal grandparents of Catherine

Rice were William (3) and Margaret (Copeland) Stewart. The Stewarts came from Scotland in early Colonial days—three brothers, William, James and John, being the emigrants. This first William had a son William (2) Stewart, who settled on a tract of land in the Tuscarora valley, where he met his death at the hands of the Indians. His son, Hiram P. Stewart, married in the Tuscarora valley, in 1778, Alice Graham, who bore him ten children, the eldest being William (3) Stewart who married Margaret Copeland.

Benjamin Rice was born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, as was his wife, Alice Stewart. After his marriage he moved to Perry county, settling in Madison township, where he owned and cultivated a farm of one hundred and fifty acres. In his old age he returned to Juniata county, where he died. He was an elder of the Lutheran church; his wife also being a member of that church. Children: Margaret, married John Briner; George, a farmer; William, a farmer and a soldier of the civil war, running away from home to enlist when but sixteen years of age; Benjamin; Emeretta, married William B. Gutshall, a former commissioner of Perry, now residing in Blain; Catherine, married David Wentzell, of previous mention; David, a hotel proprietor at Ickesburg; Ellen, never married.

Children of David and Catherine Wentzell: Clinton Hill, of whom further; Nellie, married Howard Kline and resides in Lewistown, Pennsylvania; Capitola, residing in Blain.

(III) Clinton Hill, only son of David Wentzell and his second wife Catherine Rice, was born in Blain, Perry county, Pennsylvania, February 12, 1872. At the age of six years he was indentured, serving until fifteen years of age, when he started life for himself. From fifteen to eighteen years of age he worked on a farm, receiving as wages his board and seven dollars cash monthly. At the age of eighteen years he associated in the lumber business with his half-brother, Luther M. Wentzell. The brothers operated a single mill, two miles southeast of Blain, continuing one year when they sold their plant to an uncle, Abraham Bristline. The partners continued in the same business at another point, but at the end of two years Clinton H. sold his interest to Luther M. Wentzell and for the next eight years engaged in farming in Perry county. He then formed a partnership with E. K. Weaver and for two years again engaged in lumbering, operating mills





*G. H. Wentzel*



in Jackson and Madison townships. He then purchased Mr. Weaver's interests and operated alone for one year. He then admitted his present partner, W. Frank Stambaugh, forming the firm of Wentzell & Stambaugh. They are successful lumber manufacturers and dealers, owning two saw mills in Madison township and a planing mill at Blain. They manufacture from the log and handle all kinds and sizes of pine and oak lumber, using the product of four other mills in addition to their own. At the planing mill a line of carpenters' supplies is manufactured and a general planing mill business transacted. Their products go by Pennsylvania railroad to many distant points, a large share being consumed by the Pennsylvania Steel Company (1913). Mr. Wentzell is an energetic, modern business man and reviews with satisfaction his rise from the humble boy to a successful man of business. He is a director of the local cemetery company and has other business interests. He is a Republican in politics and has served as school director and borough councilman. He belongs to the Junior Order of American Mechanics; The Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church.

Mr. Wentzell married, December 23, 1893, Mary Ellen McKee, daughter of David and Eve (Smith) McKee, of Blain.

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TAYLOR      The Taylors of this record are of Scotch descent, their earliest known ancestor, Matthew Taylor, being burned at the stake in Scotland for his religious beliefs, which he would not surrender nor deny. He left a son Matthew (2) Taylor, who fled from Scotland to Ireland, where he fought under the flag of William of Orange at the battle of the Boyne. He died in England. He left a son Matthew (3) Taylor, born in England, who is the founder of this branch of the Taylor family of Pennsylvania. He settled near Coatesville, Chester county, Pennsylvania, where he died, leaving a son, Matthew (4).

(IV) Matthew (4) Taylor was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, learned the trade of blacksmith and after the year 1812 settled in Dublin township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He there erected a home and shop in which he followed his trade. He also owned a farm which he cultivated. He married Elizabeth Rebecca Ander-

son and reared a large family. Both were members of the Presbyterian church.

(V) George, son of Matthew (4) and Elizabeth (Anderson) Taylor, was born in Oxford, Chester county, Pennsylvania, November 24, 1812. He attended the district schools until he was thirteen years of age, but only during the winter months. He never studied grammar while in school—in fact, after he was thirteen never was a student in any school. Nevertheless, by self study he became a well educated man. He was expecting to follow his father's trade of blacksmith, but while at work in the shop one day a flying piece of iron struck him in the eye, resulting in a complete loss of sight of that eye. He then began his course of self study in order to have a means of livelihood other than so dangerous a trade. During his earlier life he taught school for many years in Dublin township and in Trough Creek valley in Huntingdon county. During these years he availed himself of every means of study or improvement possible and added greatly to his stock of knowledge. He was thirteen years of age when his parents moved to Dublin township in 1825, and nine years later he had so improved the time between his hours of toil on the farm and in the school room that a profession seemed within his reach. He decided upon law as that profession, an ambition developed during his employment in the office of David R. Porter, then prothonotary of Huntingdon county, later governor of Pennsylvania. In 1834, being then twenty-two years of age, he began the study of law in the office of Gen. A. P. Wilson, then one of the leading lawyers of the Huntingdon bar. After two years of hard study Mr. Taylor passed the required examination and was admitted to practice at the Huntingdon county bar, April 12, 1836. He at once began practice in Huntingdon, forming a partnership with John G. Miles and practicing as junior member of the law firm, Miles & Taylor. In 1840 he was chosen by the state to assist in the prosecution of Robert McConahay, on trial for the murder of six of his relatives. Mr. Taylor threw his whole vigor into this case; traced it through all its windings; gathered and presented his facts in so clear, logical and forcible a manner that, although the evidence was purely circumstantial, it was so convincing that the jury rendered a verdict of "guilty." The argument of this case before the jury brought Mr. Taylor deserved reputation, and later, in a three-hours'



speech in the prosecution of the Flanagan murder case in Cambria county, in behalf of the state, that was considered as powerful as his argument in the McConahay case. He had indeed won an enviable reputation as a lawyer and, in 1849, when the act of that year was passed increasing the number of judicial districts of the state, he was recommended almost unanimously by the bar of Huntingdon, Cambria and Blair counties for the president judgeship of the newly created twenty-fourth district. In April, 1849, Governor Johnson conferred upon him the appointment, which was unanimously confirmed by the senate. He served under this appointment until 1851, when he was nominated for the same position by the Whig party. He was elected the following October and served the full term of ten years. In 1861 he had so firmly intrenched himself in the good will and respect of the bar of the district that, irrespective of party, they asked him to be a candidate for reelection. He was again elected and on October 24, 1871, while charging a jury in Blair county, he was stricken with paralysis and died two weeks later, November 14, 1871. He was aged fifty-eight years; had been a member of the bar thirty-five years and for twenty-two years president judge of the twenty-fourth judicial district. No more able exponent of the law, nor a more just judge ever graced the bench of the district. When his early disadvantages are considered, the fact becomes plain that his success in life was entirely due to his own courage, ambition and determination to make a name for himself. Few men accomplish more, even with the advantages of a college education and influential friends.

It is related of him that during a term as treasurer of Huntingdon county, 1843 to 1845, he gave up his idea of the law, retired from the firm of Miles & Taylor and began preparing himself for the ministry of the Presbyterian church. During these two years as county treasurer he made such progress in the study of Greek as to read the New Testament in the original. But he returned to the law and therein made a lasting name. In the preparation of his papers he was most scrupulously exact, orthography, punctuation and penmanship faultless, and every word carefully selected. All his writings were executed with the same care as if they were for the public eye. While a law student he edited a newspaper for a time and there acquired a careful style of writing, but the mainspring of all he did was the good old maxim,

which in youth he adopted as his own, "What is worth doing at all is worth doing well." During his thirteen years at the bar as a practitioner he was but a new comer in a bar of great ability—men of character and experience; some in the prime of life; some in the zenith of their fame, so the young man had a hard struggle and barely was able to support his family. But when a judge was to be selected from among their number, they unanimously selected the young man whose talents they had learned to respect. Judge Taylor was an ideal judge. He could not be influenced by fear, love or the hope of gain. He had an intense love of justice and the nerve to fearlessly administer it in the face of all opposition—yet with conscience as his prompter, truth and the law as guides, he tempered justice with mercy, and, while a just, was never a hard judge. In his course of twenty-two years on the bench it is of record that never from sickness or other cause did he ever fail to hold the regular term of court in the district.

Judge Taylor married (first) Adaline, daughter of John Miller, who bore a daughter Martha Adaline, who died aged twenty-five years. He married (second) Priscilla Moore and had issue: Robert Moore, now living in Warren, retired; Matthew Henry, now president of the Pittsburgh Coal Company, residing in Erie, Pennsylvania; George, died in infancy. Judge Taylor married (third) Margaret Stilt, who yet survives him, a resident of Huntingdon, a member of the Presbyterian church, as was her husband. Children: William Stilt (of whom further); Annie Miller, residing in Huntingdon with her mother; Elizabeth Anderson, twin of Annie M., died June 2, 1910, unmarried. Margaret Stilt Taylor is a daughter of Robert and Susan (Miller) Stilt and a maternal granddaughter of John Miller, one of the early settlers of Huntingdon county, a wealthy miller and tannery owner, prominent in the Masonic order in Huntingdon. Robert Stilt, of Huguenot descent, was born in Alexandria, Huntingdon county; his wife, Susan Miller, born in the town of Huntingdon. After their marriage they settled there and Robert operated a tannery. During the war between the states he was in charge of supply trains for the government, with an office in Washington, D. C. He died during the war, his wife surviving him a few years. Their only child is Margaret, widow of Judge George Taylor.

(VI) William Stilt, only son of Judge George Taylor and his third

wife, Margaret Stilt, was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, August 25, 1853. He was educated in Huntingdon Academy and Mantua Academy, West Philadelphia, and spent several years in the employ of the Pennsylvania road as clerk. He then studied law under Judge James R. Ludlow, of Philadelphia; attended lectures at the University of Pennsylvania; later went west and in 1880 was admitted to the bar at Marion, Lynn county, Iowa. He practiced there two years, then returned to Huntingdon, where he was admitted in 1883 and has since been in continuous practice, specializing in the law of real estate, in which he has acquired a high reputation. Mr. Taylor is well known beyond the confines of his profession and is the author of a volume of allegorical poems, published in 1891, under the title of "Man Immortal." This volume was well received and widely read, as have been other of Mr. Taylor's literary productions. He is a Republican in politics and an attendant of the Presbyterian church.

He married, in December, 1895, Margaret Elizabeth Maclay, of Spruce Creek township, Huntingdon county, daughter of John Palmer and Mary (Highlands) Maclay. Children: Mary Highlands, born February 16, 1897, now a student at Juniata College; George, born September 6, 1904.

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During the years when the colonies of America were ORLADY striving to throw off England's enslaving claims and to raise themselves free and unfettered in the pure light of liberty, the American cause had no truer friend, supporter and ally than the French government. Then it was, under the leadership of Marquis de Lafayette, that many of the bravest sons of France left their homeland for a life of war in the western world, and then it was that Pennsylvania received from France the seed of the Orlady family, whose members have made themselves prominent in the medical, educational and legal life of the state by the exercise of the same sterling qualities of character which brought the American progenitor of the line three thousand miles to fight for the right in the defense of the weaker. This was Henri Orlady, born in France, November 2, 1758. After the War of Independence, he did not return to France, but settled in Chester county, Pennsylvania, later moving to Lancaster county and then to Roxbury, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where he

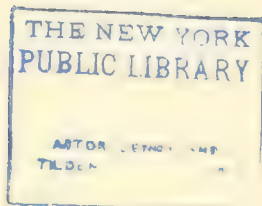
was the proprietor of a tannery until his death, January 8, 1840. His brother, Paul, who had come to America at the same time, also died in Roxbury, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. This generation of the family were adherents to the Lutheran faith. Henri Orlady married and had issue.

(II) Martin, son of Henri Orlady, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, October 25, 1787, died September 22, 1868, in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. As a young man he had learned both the tanner's and shoemaker's trades, and leaving home in 1810, he went to Warrior's Mark, where he engaged in the pursuit of both trades. In church affiliation he followed the convictions of his father, belonging to the Lutheran church. Politically he was a Whig, later a Republican. He married Ellen Gable and had issue.

(III) Henry, son of Martin and Ellen (Gable) Orlady, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, July 20, 1818, died in Durand, Wisconsin, December 8, 1893. He obtained his preliminary education in Boalsburg Academy, Juniata Valley, and then entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, later entering Bellevue College, New York, from which he was graduated Doctor of Medicine in 1845. He just began to practice in McConnellstown, Pennsylvania, remaining there about three years, when he moved to Petersburg. Here he practiced until 1883, gaining a reputation as one of the county's most reliable physicians, his name becoming a by-word throughout the locality for gentleness, kindness and embracing sympathy more than professional. Although absorbed in his practice, he still maintained the interest owed by every good citizen to his town and was active in church work and civic affairs. In politics he supported the Republican platform and in religion was a Presbyterian. His fraternal relations were confined to the Masonic order. He married, May 1, 1848, Martha Boal, born in Center county, Pennsylvania, April 6, 1824, died October 26, 1904, daughter of George and Mary (Caldwell) Boal, natives of the North of Ireland, who immigrated to the United States at an early date. They were both members of the Presbyterian church.

Children of Henry and Martha (Boal) Orlady: 1. George Boal (of whom further mention). 2. Mary, born August 15, 1853, married Homer Crawford and lives in Franklin, Pennsylvania. 3. Sara, born







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December 5, 1855, died 1885. 4. Henry, born June 28, 1858, moved to Durand, Wisconsin, where he is a prosperous and influential business man. 5. Martha C., born November 25, 1864, married Rev. Josiah C. Wood and lives in Brooklyn, New York.

(IV) George Boal, eldest son of Henry and Martha (Boal) Orlady, was born in Petersburg, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, February 22, 1850. He was educated in the Bellwood Academy, from which he was graduated, and later attended Pennsylvania State College, graduating, then going to Washington and Jefferson, graduating in 1870 with the degree of S. B., the same institution honoring him with the LL.D. in 1898. He then took a course at Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, graduating as Doctor of Medicine in 1871. Being prepared to follow the medical profession, he began to practice with his father in Pittsburgh, but his health being too poor to withstand the rigors and cares of the physician's life, he abandoned his original intention and began to read law in the office of Samuel Steele Blair, Esq., and in February of 1875 was admitted to the Blair county bar. He did not, however, confine his practice to Blair county, but settled in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, where he was three times elected district attorney in 1878, 1881 and 1884, his majority increasing with each election. When the Superior Court of Pennsylvania was created, Mr. Orlady was appointed to its bench by Governor Hastings, afterward receiving the unanimous nomination of the Republican state convention, and was elected November 5, 1895. He is a member of the State Bar Association, holding the office of president during 1913, and also holds membership in the American Bar Association. He has taken an active part in the affairs of the Republican party both in state and county, and by the exercise of his public speaking abilities has rendered his party valuable service in many campaigns. He has several times been a delegate to county conventions and three times to state conventions. In the convention of 1890 he presented General Hastings as candidate for governor, and in 1894 nominated Hon. Galusha A. Grow for congressman at large. As district attorney he prosecuted the pleas of the county ably and well. In him the oratorical ability is strongly developed; he is keen in debate, withering in sarcasm, and possesses to a degree the mannerism which lends weight and influence to an argument simply because he uses it. He is a mem-

ber of the Masonic order, belonging to Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Free and Accepted Masons, Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201, Royal Arch Masons, Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, and Syria Temple of Pittsburgh, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In 1908 and 1909 he served as Grand Master of the Masonic fraternity of Pennsylvania, and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church.

Judge Orlady married, February 21, 1877, Mary Irwin Thompson, daughter of Dr. Hardman Phillips Thompson; children: 1. Edith Thompson, born December 29, 1877, was graduated in 1903 from Bryn Mawr College and is now secretary of that institution. 2. Frederick L., born February 27, 1880, was graduated from Yale University, read law with his father and with the firm of Dalzell, Scott & Gordon, Esqrs., of Pittsburgh; was admitted to the bar and has been practicing in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. 3. George Phillips, born February 2, 1892, attending University of Virginia.

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The paternal ancestors of Judge William N. Seibert, SEIBERT president judge of the Forty-first Judicial District of Pennsylvania, came to this country from England, settling first in Virginia. Their coming antedated the revolutionary war, in which members of the family served on the colonial side. The family, originally from Wurtemberg, Germany, settled in England, from whence they came to America.

(I) Jacob Seibert, a soldier of the revolution, serving eight years, married Jeretah White Lawrence, of Scotch-Irish descent; children: John; William; Lawrence W. (of further mention); Margaret and Sarah.

(II) Lawrence W., son of Jacob Seibert, was born near Strasburg, Virginia, April 15, 1797, died in the autumn of 1866. He studied law, but became a large owner of landed property; he never practiced his profession. His estate was at Woodstock, Virginia, where he lived the life of a wealthy Southern planter until the war came. He was a noted public speaker and was much in demand during political campaigns as a "stump" speaker.

He married (first) Mary Ann Miller, born in Virginia, March, 1801, died February, 1834. She was very young when married, her first child being born when she was but sixteen years of age; children:



Eli, born 1817, died in Woburn, Illinois, in 1905; Jacob A., born 1819, died in Muscatine, Iowa, in 1907; Samuel W. (of whom further); James L. W., born 1826, died at Somerset, Pennsylvania; Lorenzo M., born 1828, now living in Selma, Iowa; Sarah Ann, born 1830, died at Mount Jackson, Virginia; John H., born 1832, served in the Seventeenth Regiment, Indiana Volunteer Infantry, during the war between the states and died in a soldiers' hospital in Marion, Indiana; Mary Ann, married Thomas Skinner, and died at Maplewood, Ohio, December 3, 1907. Lawrence W. Seibert married (second) Amelia Marshall; they had issue: Six children, the eldest of whom, George, was a soldier in the Confederate army at the time his half-brother, John H., was serving in the Union army; was shot through the breast at the battle of Bull Run and died in the hospital.

(III) Samuel W., third child of Lawrence W. Seibert and his first wife, Mary Ann Miller, was born at Woodstock, Virginia, April 1, 1824, and died at his residence in Newport, Perry county, Pennsylvania, on May 27, 1913, in his ninetieth year. He was educated in the subscription schools, Fairview Academy and Cambridge College, Indiana. He prepared for and became an ordained minister of the Evangelical Association, living a long life of Christian usefulness. He served many churches in different localities with great acceptability. He built over a score of churches, many parsonages, and received into communion of his church over two thousand new members. For sixteen years he was a presiding elder and was held in high esteem by church officials, the clergy and laity. For a year or two he managed the Neilson farm for his father-in-law, who was in poor health, then returned to the ministry, where he has always been a prominent figure. After the failure of his health he retired to a comfortable home in Newport, from which he superintended his farm of one hundred and ninety-six acres. He was a director of the First National Bank of Newport and its president for many years, and in politics a Democrat. He married, April 1, 1846, Eleanor K. Neilson, born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, December 26, 1826, died June 16, 1905. Rev. Seibert came to Perry county shortly after his entering the ministry, there met and married Miss Neilson, Rev. Emanuel Kohr performing the ceremony; children: Judge William N. (of whom further); Dr. James L., a practicing physician of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, married Eliza

Bolig, no issue; Virginia, died 1897, aged forty-two years; Charles, died 1875, aged nine years.

Mrs. Eleanor K. (Neilson) Seibert was a daughter of William (2) and Rebecca Darlington (Bull) Neilson, granddaughter of John Neilson and great-granddaughter of William (1) Neilson, who is first found in Chester county, Pennsylvania, from whence he came to Perry county, where he became the owner of a thousand-acre tract. There he built a log house, cleared a farm and in 1767 built the stone house that is yet used as a residence. After a life of prosperity and usefulness, he died, leaving a widow and two children: John (of whom further) and Polly, who married William Power—a runaway match—he a saddler, engaging later and for many years in business at the Neilson homestead.

John, only son of William Neilson, was born at the Perry county homestead. He lived there all his life, owning the home farm, also lands in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania. He was killed by a runaway team while yet in his prime. He married and left five children: William (of further mention); Mary (Polly), married Judge Samuel Black, lived and died in Perry county; Sarah, died unmarried, in extreme old age; John, died in infancy; John (2) lived and died in Perry county; Robert, lived and died in Perry county. At his death, John Neilson divided his landed estate among his three sons, providing for his daughters otherwise. It was the wish of the daughters, Polly and Sarah, to have lands instead of cash, but law and custom awarded that part of the estate in equal parts to the three sons, priority of choice being in accordance with seniority.

William (2) Neilson retained the old homestead, to which he brought his bride, and there lived a quiet, contented, prosperous life. He was of quiet, retiring nature, but nevertheless firm and decided in his likes, dislikes, beliefs and opinions. It is related of him that he was the first in his community to attempt to abolish rum from the harvest field. This he accomplished in the sensible manner of adding to the wages of his men the cost of the liquor that would have been consumed during the harvest. In this quiet, forceful way he exerted a strong influence for good, preaching by deeds, rather than by words.

His wife, Rebecca D. Bull, was the descendant of the early Bull family, who in the persons of John, Richard and William Bull came to





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Pennsylvania in the days of William Penn and located in Chester county, founding a prominent, influential family. The only child of William (2) Neilson, Eleanor K., married Rev. Samuel W. Seibert.

(IV) Judge William N., eldest son of Rev. Samuel W. and Eleanor K. (Neilson) Seibert, was born in Center township, Perry county, Pennsylvania, May 28, 1848. He was educated in the private schools, academies and under private tutors, and during his early years lived at the farm with his grandfather. He first intended to become a printer, but after two years at that trade abandoned it and began the study of law under the preceptorship of the late William A. Sponsler. Completing his studies and passing the required examination, he was admitted to the Perry county bar in August, 1869. He at once began the practice of law in New Bloomfield, and continued in honor and success until January 1, 1912, when he took his seat upon the bench as president judge of the Forty-first Judicial District of Pennsylvania, comprised of the counties of Juniata and Perry. Judge Seibert practiced alone until the admission to the bar of his son, William S. Seibert, then admitted him to a partnership, which continued until the father was elevated to the bench. Judge Seibert is eminently qualified to fill the high judicial position to which he has been chosen. He has devoted his entire mature life—forty-two years—to the practice of law; is learned in all its phases; has a fair, impartial, steadfast mind that will not be swerved from an upright, honorable course, and, above all, has lived a life of such integrity and uprightness that he commands the unbounded respect of every member of the bar. His learning, wisdom and fairness bespeak for him a career of great usefulness and honor as a jurist, rivaling that of the lawyer. Judge Seibert is a member of the Presbyterian church and since August 5, 1883, has served as elder of the New Bloomfield Church. He belongs to the Masonic craft, being affiliated with Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council and Commandery of Knights Templar. For thirty-two years, by right of official position, he has represented his lodge in the annual meetings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, holding, with four others, supervision of Grand Lodge correspondence. He is highly esteemed in the craft and has been one of those eminent Masons who have made the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge one of the leading Grand Lodges of the United States.

Judge Seibert married, June, 1870, Elizabeth A. Heiges, born in

York county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Mumper) Heiges; children: 1. William S., born December 21, 1872, educated in New Bloomfield Academy; read law under the direction of his honored father; was admitted to the Perry county bar in 1894, then was admitted to a partnership that continued until Judge Seibert was raised to a president judgeship, now practicing alone. He married Allie E. Fastnacht; children: William Warren and Helen Elizabeth, the latter dying in infancy. 2. John H., born October 2, 1875, now proprietor of a livery stable in New Bloomfield; unmarried.

This name, prominent in Pennsylvania annals for several generations, is an especially honored one in the Juniata Valley. Here three generations founded and edited newspapers that ranked among the best in the state; were prominent in public life and bulwarks of strength to the Democratic party. The family became identified with the city of Philadelphia, in the decade following the American revolution, and are of Scotch-Irish lineage, belonging to that vast army of Scotch Covenanters, the founders of the Presbyterian Kirk of Scotland, who, in the latter part of the seventeenth century, sought refuge from persecution in the northern counties of Ireland, from whence came many emigrants to America, principally to Pennsylvania and the Carolinas, during the period 1720-1800. The Magees were among those who remained in Ireland for several generations. In the middle of the eighteenth century they are found, settled at Rathmullen, in the extreme northern part of county Donegal, just southwest of Scotland, from whence came their forebears a century earlier.

(1) Alexander Magee was born in Philadelphia, September 20, 1791, died in New Bloomfield, Pennsylvania, July 8, 1845. He was educated in the city schools and learned the trade of printer and book-binder in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. During the war of 1812-1814, he enlisted in the American army, serving in Captain Alexander's company of volunteers. In 1820 he moved to Landisburg, Perry county, and there established the pioneer newspaper of the county, "The Perry Forester," continuing its publication in Landisburg until April 1, 1829, when the paper was moved to New Bloomfield, then the county seat. In 1832 Mr. Magee sold the paper to David A. Reed, and engaged in

mercantile life until 1841. In that year he was elected sheriff of Perry county, serving his term most acceptably. He then lived a retired life in New Bloomfield until his death, at the age of fifty-four years. He was a man of high character, with a conscientious regard for his duties as a citizen, commanding the respect and esteem of his contemporaries in public life, going in and out among the people of Perry county for a quarter of a century, leading their thought for half of these years through the columns of his paper, and demonstrating in his daily life the purity of his purpose. He was the friend of education and of every enterprise tending to promote the public good. He was a delegate to the constitutional convention of 1837-1838, which framed the constitution for the state of Pennsylvania, which existed until 1874.

Mr. Magee married, about 1815, Sarah, born August 4, 1795, died January 24, 1855, daughter of John and Eve Crever, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, of German descent; children: Anna Catherine, married Edward S. Swartz, of Berks county; Eleanor, married James G. Sample, of Crawford county; Mary A., married Matthew McBride, of Perry county; Eliza, married Samuel G. Morrison, of Lycoming county; Margaret, married Joseph M. Shatto, of Perry county; John A. (of whom further); Sarah J., unmarried, of New Bloomfield; Emma J., married Addis McVeagh, of Williamsport, Pennsylvania; James Black, died in infancy.

(II) John Alexander, son of Alexander and Sarah (Crever) Magee, was born at Landisburg, then the county seat of Perry county, October 14, 1827, died at his home in New Bloomfield, November 18, 1903, one of the oldest newspaper men of the state of Pennsylvania, both in actual years and in years of service. He was educated in the public schools and at New Bloomfield Academy; his parents moving to New Bloomfield when he was two years of age. In August, 1845, he began an apprenticeship at the printer's trade, entering the office of the "Perry County Democrat," then edited and published by George Stroop. In 1850 he left the "Democrat" and located in Harrisburg, working on the "Keystone" and the "Daily American." In 1851 he taught school. In 1853 he is found as a typesetter in the printing offices of the "National Era," Washington, D. C. In January, 1854, he became editor of the "Perry County Democrat," a vacancy having been created by the death of George Stroop, under whom Mr. Magee served his years

of apprenticeship. Henceforward until death he continued at the head of the "Democrat" and fully established its value and influence as a leading Democratic journal. His conduct of the editorial department proved him a man of brain and of unusual ability as a writer of force and logic. He upheld the principles of Jefferson and Jackson, in which he firmly believed, and gained deserved recognition for his valuable service. He took an active and prominent personal part in county, state and national affairs and became an acknowledged leader of his party. In 1862 he was elected to the lower house of the State Legislature, serving his term with credit. In 1868 he was a delegate to the National Democratic Convention, held in New York City, that nominated Horatio Seymour for the presidency. In 1872 he was the candidate of his party for Congress, from the district comprising Cumberland, Perry and York counties. Notwithstanding the heavy Republican victories of that year all over Pennsylvania, Mr. Magee was elected by a majority of eighteen hundred and twenty-six out of a total vote of twenty-eight thousand eight hundred and ninety. This splendid endorsement shows plainer than volumes could tell his popularity and great strength before the people. He was the unanimous choice of the delegates from Perry county to the Congressional Conventions of 1874 and 1878 and a delegate to the National Democratic Convention of 1876, held in St. Louis, that nominated Samuel J. Tilden for the presidency. He was also many times a delegate to state conventions of his party. In 1894 he was elected chairman of the first division Democratic State Executive Committee, embracing the counties of York, Adams, Cumberland, Franklin, Dauphin, Lebanon, Perry, Juniata and Mifflin; was reelected in 1895 and 1896, declining another election in 1897. In 1896 he was delegate to the Democratic State Convention at Allentown; was there chosen a delegate to the national convention that later met at Chicago and nominated William Jennings Bryan for the presidency. Mr. Magee continued his work and activity in newspaper and public life until his death, literally dying, as he always declared he would, "with the harness on." In his discussion of public questions, through his editorial columns, Mr. Magee was dignified, able and unbiased, while local news received especial care and attention. He was loyal and true to the people of his county who so faithfully rallied to his support whenever called upon and who always



gave him their unreserved confidence. His long life was one of great activity and usefulness, while age did not dim his powers nor curb his activity. Uprightness, honesty and integrity marked all his dealings, while loyalty, devotion and fairness were strong characteristics. He never failed a friend, nor took an unfair advantage of an opponent. His public life was unspotted by self-seeking ambition, while his private life was above reproach. Mr. Magee married, June 10, 1857, Margaret Hettie Ramsey, who died March 2, 1898, daughter of William D. Ramsey, a lawyer of Cumberland county, Pennsylvania; children: 1. Alexander Ramsey, born April, 1858, died November 6, 1862. 2. Charlotte Annie, born November 28, 1859, now residing with her brother, James S. Magee, in New Bloomfield, unmarried. 3. William Ramsey, born September 19, 1862, died July 29, 1901, unmarried; a well-known educator and magazine writer. 4. James Sample (of whom further). 5. John Alexander (2), born February 20, 1867, died September 20, 1871. 6. Benjamin Crever, born August 12, 1869, died September 25, 1886. 7. Louis Alexander, born September 18, 1872, died July 25, 1884.

Mrs. Margaret H. Ramsey Magee was a daughter of William Dean Ramsey and granddaughter of Archibald Ramsey, whose parents, Samuel and Esther Ramsey, came from Ireland to America about 1750, settling in Cumberland county, about four miles from Carlisle, where Archibald Ramsey was born. The Ramseys were of Scotch ancestry, theirs being one of the noted families of Scotland that trace descent far into the "long ago." Samuel Ramsey was a farmer, owned land in Cumberland county, and there reared a family.

Archibald, son of Samuel and Esther Ramsey, was born in Cumberland county, was a farmer and there died. He married Margaret Dean, who bore him: Samuel; William Dean; Robert, served in the Mexican war and never returned; John Alexander, died unmarried; and Hettie, died in childhood.

William Dean, son of Archibald and Margaret (Dean) Ramsey, was a lawyer of the Cumberland county bar, married Charlotte, daughter of Dr. John and Rachel (Weakley) Arnold, of Adams county, and in 1838 moved in a covered wagon to the state of Ohio with his wife, and there died in 1842. After becoming settled, he applied for admission to the bar, but the law required a year's prior residence. Be-

fore the year expired he died. He left two children: 1. Jane Rebecca, married George S. Barnett, lived in Perry county, Pennsylvania, where she died April 22, 1900; children: William F., Charlotte J., George R., Margaret H., Alice R., Edwin C., Lillian and Robert T. 2. Margaret Hettie, married John A. Magee.

(III) James Sample, only living son of John Alexander and Margaret H. (Ramsey) Magee, was born in New Bloomfield, Pennsylvania, November 6, 1864. He was educated in the public schools and at an early age began work in the printing department of the "Perry County Democrat." He mastered thoroughly the printer's art and at age sixteen years was practically in charge of the mechanical department of the "Democrat." He continued thus, taking all possible burdens from the shoulders of his honored father, who was editor-in-chief for nearly fifty years, only surrendering his beloved post to the "grim reaper," death. In 1903 the old chief was laid at rest, and James S. Magee succeeded to full editorial control and ownership of the "Democrat," and so continues. His father learned his trade in that printing office, beginning in 1845, and nine years later, in 1854, became its editor, continuing until 1903. The son, James S., also began working in the same office as a boy, was manager from 1880 until 1903, then became editor. This covers a period of sixty-eight years, fifty-nine of which the editorial columns have been controlled by the Magees, father and son. The "Democrat" has steadily increased in size, reputation and influence, and is now at its highest point of circulation. While uncompromising in its advocacy of Democratic principles, it numbers many of the opposing party among its supporters. The editorial page has ever been one of its strong features, while local, county and state happenings are attractively presented. The mechanical department has been constantly improved and a complete job department, with ample equipment of modern machinery, draws a large patronage.

James S. Magee was appointed by President Cleveland cashier of the Ninth Internal Revenue District of Pennsylvania, and for four and a half years was stationed at Lancaster. For ten years he was chairman of the Perry County Democratic Committee, and is the present chairman of the Seventeenth Congressional District. In 1912 he so successfully managed the campaign that a Democratic congressman was elected. He has at various times represented Perry county in

state conventions and is one of the influential, active Democrats of Perry county. He is a member of Adams Lodge, No. 319, Free and Accepted Masons, also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Magee married, February 13, 1889, Mary Mortimer, born in New Bloomfield, daughter of Captain Frank Mortimer, a gallant officer of the civil war, editor and owner of the "Perry County Times." Captain Mortimer was born in Massachusetts, son of Samuel and Eleanor (Richardson) Mortimer. He prepared for the practice of law, but poor eyesight prevented his ever entering actual practice, although admitted to the bar of New York in 1853. At the outbreak of the war between the states, he entered the service as captain of Company I, Ninth Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry. He was captured in December, 1862, and held a prisoner at Culpeper and Lynchburg, Virginia, until April, 1863, when he escaped, reaching the Union lines in safety. He then resigned his commission and in January, 1864, came to Perry county, where he engaged in mercantile business at Green Park until March, 1865; then moved to New Bloomfield, engaging as a merchant until 1889. In 1867 he had established the "Perry County Times," and in 1889 he sold his mercantile business to John Arnold and gave his entire time to the editorial and business management of his paper. The "Times," until 1892, was independent in politics, then was made to reflect the political faith of its owner, and has since been an advocate of Republican principles.

Captain Mortimer married and had issue: Eleanor, of Philadelphia; Mary, married James S. Magee; Harry, died March, 1896; Alice, wife of W. E. Maxfield, of Philadelphia; and Adelaide, who married Harry Briggs and resides in New York. Children of James S. and Mary Magee: 1. John Alexander (2), born January 29, 1890, graduate of Yale University, A. B., class of 1912, taking first honors and awarded the philosophical oration. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Beta Theta Pi fraternities, now professor of Latin and Greek at Dr. Holbrook's Preparatory School at Ossining, New York, unmarried. 2. James Ramsey, born March 26, 1891, a student of the law department of the University of Pennsylvania, LL.B., class of 1914. 3. Frank Mortimer, born March 22, 1895, now a student at Bloomfield Academy.

James Loudon, of East Waterford, Juniata county, LOUDON Pennsylvania, represents in his person the admirable qualities of the transplanted Celt in the second generation, which make them such desirable citizens of this Republic.

(I) Robert Loudon, the grandfather of James Loudon, was born in Ireland, and was there married. His stalwart sons, growing tired of the scant prospect of advancement at home, determined to put their fortunes to the touch, and emigrated to America. After some years they induced him to join them in the United States, and it is probable that his wife crossed with him. He was then an old man, and never returned to Ireland, spending his last days with his children near East Waterford. His children, all of whom are dead, were: John, Robert, David, William, Solomon, Lydia, Eliza, Nancy, Paul and James.

(II) Solomon Loudon, son of Robert Loudon, was born in the County of Derry, Ireland, as was his wife. He came to the United States at the age of eighteen and located near East Waterford. Here he married Eliza Barton, who came with her parents from Ireland when she was but twelve years old. He purchased one hundred and sixty acres of land in Tuscarora township, and later added to it another one hundred and sixty acres, making in all three hundred and twenty as fertile acres as could be found in that part of Pennsylvania. In his early manhood he followed the shoemaker's trade, eventually gave that up and devoted himself to agriculture, and became one of the successful farmers of his section. He lived a quiet, retired, though useful, life. He erected substantial buildings on his farm, and it was known far and near for its up-to-dateness. In politics he was a Democrat, and both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church. He died about 1869 and she in 1879. Children: 1. Sarah Jane, married Daniel Thatcher; she is dead. 2. John M., married May McKee; lived and died in Nebraska. 3. Mary Ann, married Robert McWilliams; he served as register and recorder of Juniata county; they moved to Illinois, and he was killed there; she died, aged eighty-four. 4. Samuel B., tailor by trade at East Waterford; he was elected sheriff of Juniata county, and died at Mifflintown; married Mary Sweringen. 5. Paul, at the age of twenty-five moved to Ireland and lives there. 6. James, of whom further. 7. Elizabeth, married John Silverborn;



both died in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. 8. Rachel, married James McConnell; lived in Perry county some years, now makes her home in Germantown, Pennsylvania. 9. David S., enlisted in civil war and served four years; married Mary Elder, and moved to Page county, Iowa, and there lives. 10. Margaret, married L. E. Dougherty; lives in Page county, Iowa. 11. Martha, widow of John Anderson; he died in Cambria county, Pennsylvania. 12. Tabitha, died at the age of eight years.

(III) James Loudon, son of Solomon and Eliza (Barton) Loudon, was born in Tuscarora township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, February 26, 1833. He was educated in the common schools of the township and reared on the farm. He remained with his father until after the civil war, then, following the trend of the times, went to the oil region. He returned home, and with his brother, David, took over the management of the home farm. A year later David went west, and James purchased the homestead from the other heirs, and there made his home until 1895. In that year he moved to East Waterford, to occupy a house that he had erected the year previous, and has lived there until now (1913). In 1909 he disposed of the farm and retired from business life. In politics he is a Democrat and has served in township offices, and has been tax collector. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church, of which he has been an elder for more than forty years. He is a member of the local Grange. He married, February 14, 1867, Susan E. Dougherty, born January 22, 1849, in Juniata county, daughter of Mathew and Susan (Minary) Dougherty, old residents of Juniata county. Children: 1. Ida M., widow of James Hockenberry; lived near Waterford; children: Eva and Pearl, twins. 2. Florence, died in infancy. 3. Charles W., engaged in a silver ore smelter in Montana; married Olive Allen; children: Dale, died aged four; and Ray. 4. Millie G., married J. Harry Murphey, an employee on railroad at Altoona, Pennsylvania; children: Annis, John and James, the two latter twins. 5. Lottie J., married Bruce Hockenberry; lives in Berea, Kentucky; children: Susan Ray, James Loudon and Dorman. 6. Margaret M., married Harry Lawton; has one child, Faye. 7. Frank F., married Blanche Allen; he is a ranchman at Plumber, Idaho. 8. Mabel S., married James B. McMeen (see McMeen sketch, this work).

(The Dougherty Line).

Mathew Dougherty was the only son of his father, who died when he was quite a lad, in Chester county, Pennsylvania. He married Susan Minary, daughter of Joseph Minary, an old resident of Philadelphia, where he was a carpenter before he moved to Juniata county, at an advanced age, and died in the home of his daughter.

Mathew Dougherty was born in the state of Delaware, December 22, 1810, and, owing to the death of his father when he was quite young, he was reared by an aunt. He married Susan Minary, February 8, 1837, in Philadelphia, and soon moved to Juniata county. They located near Mifflin, and in 1857 moved to Tuscarora township and bought a farm, and later added two more to the land holdings, aggregating two hundred and seventy-five acres. He died February 15, 1889, and his wife died February 1, 1889. They were both devout members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and he was a Democrat. Children: 1. William, a farmer, and died in Juniata county. 2. Joseph, died on homestead. 3. John, lives in Harrisburg. 4. Thomas, one of the wealthy men of Iowa. 5. Sarah, married John Andrews; died in Ohio. 6. Mathias Day, lives in Iowa. 7. Lemuel Emory, lives in Iowa. 8. Susan Evans, born January 22, 1849, married James Loudon (see Loudon III). 9. Ellen, married Moses Felmlee and lives at Shade Gap. 10. Charles, died aged eight. 11. Juniata, died in infancy. 12. Wilson McCullough, died on homestead. 13. Martha Jane Irvin, married David Milliken, and lives in Reedsville, Pennsylvania.

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Mrs. Mary P. (Frankum) Denithorne,

FRANKUM-DENITHORNE      thorne, widow of James Denithorne, is a granddaughter of John Frankum, of German parentage, who lived in Chester county, Pennsylvania. He was an expert stone cutter and engraver of intricate designs in stone, renowned in his art, traveling to many places where his especial skill was required. He married Susan Posey, also born in Chester county, where both died, members of the Lutheran church; children: Lindley; Violet, who married Thomas Hipple; Matilda, married William Ayres; Susan, never married; Reuben H. (of whom further); Nancy, married Joseph Clark.





*James Lenithorne*



(II) Reuben H., son of John and Susan (Posey) Frankum, was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, in 1830, died in 1881. He learned the machinist's trade and followed that occupation all his life, mostly in Chester county and Philadelphia. He was an expert workman, a man of high character and a member of the Episcopal church. He married (first) Mary A. Welker, who died aged forty-five years, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Myers) Welker; he at one time a physician, who died in Manheim, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. Mary A. Welker had an only sister, Henrietta H., who married John Taylor, and an only brother, Charles, a bridge builder, who lived in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Children of Reuben H. Denithorne by his first wife: Mary P. (of whom further); John, born July 22, 1853, now a merchant in Ohio; Lizzie, married Samuel Gramm, but only survived her marriage a few months, he resides in Lancaster county; Regina, died in Newark, New Jersey, in 1902, married John J. Gifford, a civil engineer, of New York City; Charles Lincoln, a bricklayer, of Westchester, Pennsylvania, married Alice Glenn.

(III) Mary P., daughter of Reuben H. Frankum and his first wife, Mary A. Welker, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 21, 1851. She was married in Marietta, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, February 24, 1879, by Rev. Diller, to James Denithorne, born in Cornwall, England, May 18, 1847, died in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, November 22, 1906, son of John and Anna (Bartle) Denithorne. John Denithorne was born in Penzance, England, and in 1848, with his wife, elder children and ten-months-old son, James, came to the United States, settling in Phoenixville, Chester county, Pennsylvania, where he died in June, 1877, aged seventy-four years and ten months. He was an expert stone mason and until his retirement from active labor always followed that occupation. His widow, Anna, survived him until May 29, 1880, dying at age seventy-one years, three months; children: William, born January 25, 1827, died in 1835; Ann, born in January, 1830; William (2), born July 1, 1832, died young; John (2), born November 22, 1834, married Caroline Francis; Elizabeth, born September 5, 1837, never married; William (3), born January 1, 1840, died in the Union army in 1864; Richard, born June 1, 1842, married Emma Tustin; Amelia, born December 24, 1844, married Jacob Mil-dren; James (see forward); Catherine, born October 20, 1851, died

1909, married (first) I. W. Marsh, (second) Oliver Nichols; Mary, born July 21, 1854, died young.

James, son of John Denithorne, was ten months of age when he was brought to Chester county, Pennsylvania, where he was educated in the public schools of Phoenixville. He learned the machinist's trade, at which he worked in his younger years. He then took a course of instruction in drafting and civil engineering in Philadelphia and until 1890 followed that business. In 1890 he moved to Huntingdon, later becoming general manager of the Langdon Coal Company, continuing for several years. In 1902, in association with Elwood Miller, he began operating coal mines at Six Mile Run, continuing a successful coal operator until his death in 1906. He was a member of the Masonic order, holding the thirty-second degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and very popular with his brethren and associates, his genial manner and open-hearted generosity winning him friends everywhere. He was a member of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, liberal in its support and interested in all that pertained to the public good. He was a good citizen and left behind him the record of an honorable life. He was a Republican, and served the city of Huntingdon as mayor two terms, and was also a member of the Pennsylvania National Guard (Griffin Battery, Chester county, Pennsylvania), in which he served as first lieutenant. Children of James and Mary P. (Frankum) Denithorne: 1. Grace B., born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, August 15, 1881, died in Huntingdon, November 26, 1911, unmarried. 2. George, born July 21, 1891, is now a student at State College, department of civil and mining engineering.

Mrs. Mary P. Denithorne survives her husband, and continues her residence in Huntingdon. She is a member of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, and lives a life full of gracious, womanly usefulness.

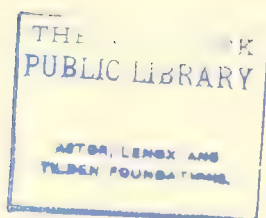
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PARKER-McDOWELL      For thirty years the well-beloved and useful pastor of the East Kishacoquillas Church of Reedsville, it may be said of the Rev. Andrew H. Parker that he gave his life to that church, coming there shortly after his ordination and continuing until death ended his labors.

Rev. Andrew H. Parker was a son of Caleb Parker, who early in



*Amos A. Parker*





life settled in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, and about 1834 located in Mifflintown, where for many years he was justice of the peace until his death in 1885. His wife, Sarah McCully, was born in Mifflin county, daughter of an early pioneer family. They were married in Mifflintown and there their children were born. Both were members of the Presbyterian church—he a Democrat in politics. Five of their children grew to adult years: Robert, James, Thaddeus, Cloyd and Andrew H., all deceased except Cloyd, who resides in Harrisburg.

Rev. Andrew H. Parker was born in Mifflintown, Pennsylvania, in 1845, died in Reedsville, Pennsylvania, February 1, 1899. His early education was obtained in the public schools; his preparatory education at Tuscarora Academy; his classical education at Princeton College, when he was graduated, class of 1866. He chose the ministry as his profession and pursued a three years' course in divinity at Princeton Theological Seminary, whence he was graduated in April, 1869. He had received a license to preach from the Huntingdon Presbytery, October 7, 1868, and soon after his graduation was invited to become "stated supply" of the East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian Church during the summer. He accepted the call in May, 1869, and so well had he pleased the congregation that during the following summer they made him a formal call to become their permanent pastor. He accepted, and at an adjourned meeting of Huntingdon Presbytery, held in the East Kishacoquillas Church, December 7, 1869, he was ordained a minister of the Gospel and installed as pastor of that church. The first twenty-four years of his pastorate he preached in the "Brick Church," in which he was ordained, situated about three-quarters of a mile from Reedsville, on a hill consecrated by many precious memories, where the congregation had worshipped for one hundred and ten years. In 1893 it was deemed wise to change the place of worship to Reedsville, and a handsome brownstone church was erected there, and has since been the home of the congregation, which still retains its old time name, East Kishacoquillas Presbyterian Church. On June 14, 1894, the twenty-fifth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. Parker was celebrated with appropriate services held in the church, a number of ministers, elders, and a great many members and friends of the church and pastor participating. The services at the church were followed by a banquet at the town hall, where the pastor was pre-

sented with an expensive silver water service of beautiful design and suitably inscribed. Five years later, after a pastorate of thirty years, he ceased from his labors, and in the presence of a large gathering his funeral services were held in the church he had served so well. He was a faithful servant of God, studious and earnest, a pleasing, forceful preacher of the highest type of character and a man beloved by all. His church prospered spiritually and materially under his guidance and many were added to the church roll of membership. He was interested in all that concerned the welfare of his community, aided in their civic affairs, and was a strong force for good. He was considered one of the strong men of the Huntingdon Presbytery and held many honors received at the hands of his brethren.

Rev. Andrew H. Parker married, May 30, 1878, Margaret J. McDowell, born in Mifflin county, May 4, 1847, daughter of John and Mary (Brisbin) McDowell, who survives him, a resident of Reedsville, a lady of culture, piety and benevolence; children: 1. John McDowell Parker, born July 12, 1879, died May 22, 1880. 2. Frank McDowell Parker, born September 9, 1880, educated in the public schools of Reedsville, Chambersburg Academy, Washington and Jefferson College; now assistant cashier of the Reedsville National Bank; he married Mabel Taylor Smith, and has: Andrew James, born November 6, 1911, and Frank McDowell Jr., born May 7, 1913. 3. Mary Brisbin Parker, born April 7, 1884, married Rev. H. M. Campbell, now located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; child: Margaret McDowell, born December 3, 1912.

(McDowell Line).

The McDowells are of Scotch ancestry, the emigrant, John (1) McDowell, born in that country, coming to America prior to the revolutionary period. He first settled within the present limits of Franklin county, then a part of Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, but in 1754 moved to Mifflin county, settling in the Kishacoquillas Valley. He married and left issue, including a son John.

John (2) McDowell was born in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, in 1767, died September 29, 1849. He was a farmer and merchant, having a store at Perrysville, now Milroy. He was a man of great energy and ambition, filled many local offices; was sheriff of Mifflin county prior to the erection of Juniata, and served well the interests

of the community in which he lived. He married, and by first wife had children: William, and Elizabeth, who married, February 8, 1817, Alexander McCoy, of Potters Mills, Center county, Pennsylvania. He married (second) Jane Mitchell, of Irish lineage, who survived him until January 1, 1864, aged nearly eighty-eight years. Both were devoted members of the Presbyterian church and were widely and highly esteemed. He was known as "Colonel John," a rank he held by appointment in the Mifflin county militia. He was a genial, companionable man, held in high regard for his private virtue, as well as his valuable public service. Children by second marriage: 1. John (3), (of whom further). 2. Samuel, born April 20, 1802, died unmarried, April 13, 1832. 3. Margaret, born February 9, 1804, died at Lawrence, Kansas, September 21, 1869. She married January 11, 1825, William McKinney, of Lycoming county, Pennsylvania. 4. Rosanna, born August 21, 1806, died November 13, 1882; she married (first), April 26, 1827, Alexander Sharp, of Cumberland county; (second) William Barr, of Newville, Pennsylvania. 5. Alexander S., born September 17, 1808, died unmarried, January 7, 1837. 6. George, born September 29, 1811, died April 18, 1885; married, January 6, 1847, Elizabeth Kyle. 7. James, born July 20, 1814, died unmarried at Warrington, Florida, September 13, 1852. 8. Mary Jane, born September 22, 1817, died April 5, 1844; married, March 19, 1839, Abraham Adams, of Cumberland county.

John (3), son of John (2) McDowell and his second wife, Jane Mitchell, was born June 26, 1800, died after a short illness, March 29, 1863. He obtained a limited education in the subscription schools, but by self study, reading and experience became a well-informed man. He was a farmer, but of so strong a character and of such intelligence that he was called to important trusts, managing large estates, also filling township and county offices. He was shrewd, thrifty and resolute, possessing prudence and sound judgment, yet of so genial, gentle and unassuming manner that he drew men to him for sympathy and advice. Like his father, he held the military rank of colonel, serving by appointment of Governor Pollock on the latter's staff with the rank of colonel. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, as was his wife—he a Republican. He married, December 21, 1841, Mary Brisbin, born near Reedsville, Pennsylvania, January 27, 1814, died April

8. 1892, daughter of James and Margaret (McManigle) Brisbin; he a native of Center, she of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. James Brisbin had children: Elizabeth, Mary (of previous mention), James, Sallie, William John, William, John and Mary; the latter three dying young. Children of John (3) and Mary (Brisbin) McDowell, all born at the home farm in Armagh township, Mifflin county: 1. An infant son, died unnamed. 2. John (4), now deceased, inherited and farmed the old homestead, was a trustee of the Presbyterian church and a man of substance. He married, October 11, 1888, Elizabeth R., daughter of Alexander and Mary L. (Taylor) Reed; children: Alexander Reed and Mary Lyon. 3. Margaret J. (of previous mention), widow of Rev. Andrew H. Parker. 4. A child, died unnamed.

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“Born in Germany” signifies that he who can claim that WENZEL distinguishing mark is of steady, industrious, thrifty habits, is usually well educated, possesses a trade or definite occupation, and, if he remained in his native country long enough, has had the valuable training in discipline, self-restraint, obedience and respect for those in authority, gained by service in the German army. Such a man is Charles Wenzel, now engaged in the livery business in Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania.

Charles Wenzel is the son of Heinrich Christian and Coralina (Rausch) Wenzel, both of whom lived and died in Germany—he a teamster and farmer and both members of the Lutheran church. Children: Hendrick, a soldier of the German army, married and resides in Germany; Charles (of further mention).

Charles Wenzel was born in Hanover, Germany, February 2, 1854, and continued his residence in his native land until reaching the age of twenty-four years. He was educated in the public schools, learned the trade of brick and stone mason, at which he worked until called to the colors by German law. He served three years and eight months in the army, and in 1878 bade adieu to family and native land, arriving in the United States on October 21. He gradually worked westward, finally deciding to remain in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, engaging there as a bricklayer for three years. He then worked for a year in the steel works at Braddock, settling in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, in 1884. There he remained until 1898. During this period he began brick and



stone contracting, building up a good business in those lines and accumulating capital. He then moved to Mount Union, Huntingdon county, where he began and for several years engaged in the manufacture of brick. He discovered there a deposit, rich in silica, and established a plant for the manufacture of silica brick. This plant is now known as the Harbison-Walker Brick Company and, greatly enlarged, employs seven hundred men in its operation. Mr. Wenzel continued in the brick business until 1912, when he retired, and in November of that year engaged in the livery business in Mount Union, purchasing the property where he is now located in successful operation. He is a capable man of affairs, energetic and always to be relied upon. He is an Independent in politics and for six years served on the borough council at Mount Union. Both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church.

He married, January 23, 1874, in Germany, Mary, daughter of Heinrich and Sophia (Waushousen) Bormann, both of whom lived and died in Germany. Children of Charles and Mary Wenzel: William, Henry, Fred, Anna, Frank, Charles, Rosa, August and Otto.

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MINICK The Minick emigrant ancestor, on coming from Germany to Pennsylvania, settled in Lancaster county, where he lived until death, leaving issue.

(II) Peter Minick, son of the emigrant, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, where he grew to manhood and learned the tailor's trade. He also followed farming, continuing both occupations alternately all his life. After leaving Lancaster county, he moved to Cumberland county, thence going to the borough of Carlisle. His last years were spent in Orrstown, Franklin county, Pennsylvania, where he died, aged eighty-six years. He married Mary Curran, of Irish parentage, who died at the age of thirty-six years.

(III) John, son of Peter and Mary (Curran) Minick, was born in Carlisle in 1817, died at Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, in 1893. He attended school for three months, the instruction there received being entirely in the German language. With but this slender foundation for an education, he went out into the world, working first on a farm, but at age fourteen began learning the shoemaker's trade. Two years later he moved his residence to Franklin county, Pennsylvania,

there learning the tanner's trade, at which he worked until 1849 for others. At age twenty-four years he had married, and through all the years from boyhood had steadily pursued a course of self study that placed him in the ranks of fairly well educated men. He excelled as an accountant and as a bookkeeper had few superiors. Having accumulated some capital by close economy, and feeling sure of his ability to manage both the bookkeeping and manufacturing departments of a business, in 1849 he purchased the tanning plant of John M. Blair, in Dublin township, Huntingdon county, paying therefor the sum of three thousand dollars. His purchase included the tannery, twenty acres of good farm land and six hundred acres of mountain land. An old stone house stood on the property, which later he greatly improved and made his residence. He prospered in business and at his death in 1893 was one of the substantial, highly respected men of his town. He was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church, faithful and devoted to its every interest. For many years he was a class leader and superintendent of the Sunday-school. He was very benevolent and turned away no worthy applicant for assistance. He married, in 1841, Maria Kuhn, also of German parentage, who died in 1880, aged sixty-two years; children: 1. Elizabeth ("Lizzie"), married D. R. P. Neely and lived in Washington, D. C. 2. Peter, a soldier in the Union army, Company I, Pennsylvania Bucktails, killed in front of Petersburg, aged nineteen years, unmarried. 3. John M., wounded while in the Union army and died in the hospital shortly afterward. He was but eighteen years of age, very large for his age, weighing one hundred and eighty pounds. 4. Ellen H., married Rev. William H. Zimmerman, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church, later stationed at Lawrence, Kansas. 5. Susan, married Scott Lysinger, register and recorder of Bedford county, Pennsylvania. 6. Alfred A. (of whom further). 7. Cambridge D., superintendent of the bark department of the Elk Tannery Company of Ridgway, Elk county, Pennsylvania; married Minnie Lupfer. 8. S. Newton, deceased, a farmer, who cultivated the old home farm; married Anna Swan.

(IV) Alfred A., son of John and Maria (Kuhn) Minick, was born at the old stone house on the tannery property, in Dublin township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, February 28, 1853. He was educated in the public school and at Milnwood Academy in Shade Gap.

During his early life he worked in his father's tannery, but during a period of depression its doors were closed for two years, and the young man sought other employment. He engaged for eight months as clerk in a store at Shade Gap, then pursued a full course at business college in Lock Haven, Pennsylvania, graduating therefrom in 1886. In 1887 he became assistant superintendent of the Schlosser tannery at Westminster, Maryland, remaining there thirteen months. He then returned home and reopened the tannery, which he operated for many years; greatly increased the output of the plant, made extensive improvements, and gained a steady market for his tanned hides in New York City. He added considerable real estate to his holdings and was rated both successful and reliable. He married in 1876 and continued in business, residing at Shade Gap until 1903, when he moved to Asheville, North Carolina, where he now resides, superintendent of the tannery and extract work of Hans Rees Sons & Company. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, is a devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics a Republican. He took a deep and lively interest in public affairs while residing in Huntingdon county and served Dublin township in several official capacities. He married, in 1876, Sarah M., born April 15, 1858, at Burnt Cabins, Fulton county, Pennsylvania, daughter of William and Susan (Giles) McGowan, born in Franklin county. William McGowan was a hotel proprietor in Huntingdon and Bedford counties and was at the time of his daughter's marriage proprietor of the hotel at Shade Gap, where he yet resides. He has children: Thomas, married Jennie Weller; Sarah M., wife of Alfred A. Minick; Emory, now residing at Tyrone, Pennsylvania; Jane, married a Mr. Roach; John, a hotel proprietor; William, clerk for the Pittsburgh Steel Company, married Ritta Caldwell; and three others died young. Children of Alfred A. and Sarah M. Minick: 1. John M. (of whom further). 2. Ira C., born April 1, 1881, now an electrician, residing at Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania; he married Elaine Ingersoll. 3. Lillian L., born February 3, 1892. 4. S. LaRue, born May 20, 1894. 5. Norman R., born April 2, 1899.

(V) John M., eldest son of Alfred A. and Sarah M. (McGowan) Minick, was born at Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, September 27, 1877. He was educated in the public schools, then in

1897 entering the National College of Pharmacy at Washington, D. C. He pursued the full course there and was graduated, class of 1900. In 1901 and 1902 he was associated with his cousin, Guy Minick Neely, a druggist of Washington, and in the latter year established a drug business in Mount Union, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, under the firm name, Neely & Minick. In 1904 the firm dissolved, Mr. Minick continuing the business under his own name, and is well established and prosperous. He is a Republican in politics and both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

He married, October 7, 1903, Alice H., daughter of Rudolph and Susan (McIntyre) Sechler; her father is freight agent at Mount Union for the East Broad Top Railroad.

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The Rhoads family of Perry county, Pennsylvania, is RHOADS of Hungarian origin, the immigrant ancestor, John, coming to the United States in the first quarter of the nineteenth century and settling in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He served in the war of 1812-1814 under the American flag. He died near Rockville, Pennsylvania. He married and had two children: A daughter, who married Mr. Collins, and George (of further mention).

(II) George, son of John Rhoads, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, December 6, 1812, died in Perry county, Pennsylvania, 1892. He spent most of his life in Rye township, Perry county, being employed on the various farms of the locality. In politics he was a Democrat and held several township offices. He married Margaret McLaughlin, born in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, 1807, died January 1, 1865, daughter of George McLaughlin, a native of what was then Cumberland county, and son of the immigrant ancestor. Children of George McLaughlin: 1. Margaret, married George Rhoads. 2. Jane, died unmarried. 3. Mary, died unmarried. 4. George, resident of Rye township, Huntingdon county. 5. William, died in Perry county. 6. Susan, died in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania; married John Reed. 7. Ann, died in Cumberland county; married (first) Philip Danner, (second) David Houdeshell. 8. Crawford, died in the west. Children of George and Margaret (McLaughlin) Rhoads: 1. John H. (of further mention). 2. Cyrus, a railroad employee and veteran of the civil war, died in Perry county. 3. Joseph



W., served in Company M, Seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, lives in Rye township. 4. George W., railroad employee, died at Marysville, Perry county, Pennsylvania. 5. James (of further mention). 6. Margaret (deceased), married (first) Samuel Harrow, (second) Leo Lentz, (third) Elijah Davis.

(III) John H., son of George and Margaret (McLaughlin) Rhoads, was born in Rye township, Huntingdon county, April 24, 1843. His education was obtained in the public school of the township and his early life was spent on the farm. He enlisted in the Union army, Company M, Seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, February 26, 1864, and served until the end of the war, seeing active service at the battles of Atlanta, Resaca, Rome, Lovejoy Station and Chattahoochea River. From March 19, 1865, until the date of his discharge, June 30, 1865, he was on a hospital boat. At the conclusion of the war he returned to Pennsylvania and entered the employ of the Northern Central Railroad, as hostler in one of the roundhouses, a position he held for about two and a half years. He then accepted a position at the Seidel Brothers forge, where he remained for eighteen years. At this time he was compelled to retire from active labor by approaching blindness. In 1889 he purchased fifty acres of ground in Rye township, near his old house in Rye township, and in 1911 erected thereon a handsome residence, where he lives at the present time, retired, but still retaining great interest in the affairs of county, state and country. He married, April 29, 1861, Louisa Dale, born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, daughter of John Frederick and Margaret (Baer) Dale; child: Anna Mary, born September 11, 1862, married John H. Shone, who cultivates her father's farm. Children of John H. and Anna Mary (Rhoads) Shone: John; Lucy, married Harvey Baker and has two children; Margaret, married William Forney, they have children; Charles, William, Sarah, Annie.

(III) James, son of George Rhoads, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, died in 1865 in Perry county. He was for many years an employee of the Pennsylvania railroad and was a veteran of the civil war, although his term of service was a short one. He married in Marysville, Pennsylvania, leaving a widow and children. His wife, Susan Hoover, was born of German parents, survived her husband and married (second) Israel Houdeshell; both she and her second hus-

band dying in Baltimore. Children of James Rhoads: 1. Levi, an engineer, residing in Steelton, Pennsylvania, married Sarah Wagner. 2. John, a track foreman for the Pennsylvania railroad. He married Stella Champion. 3. George Washington (see forward). 4. Sarah, married Frank Slade and resides in Baltimore. 5. Fannie, married Frank Cooper, a locomotive engineer, and resides in Baltimore.

(IV) George Washington, son of James and Susan (Hoover) Rhoads, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, February 14, 1862. He was educated in the public schools of Marysville, Pennsylvania, and learned the tinner's trade, beginning at the age of fourteen years. He worked at his trade for several years, then entered the railroad employ, continuing about nine years. He then returned to the tinning business, which he followed until 1912. He then purchased the hotel at Marysville, of which he is now proprietor. He is a Democrat in politics and a keen, foresighted business man.

He married, in 1883, Margaret, daughter of Isaac and Margaret (Strine) Platt, of Marysville. Children: Pearl, married John Strickey, a boiler inspector for the Pennsylvania railroad; Myrtle, married Alfred Flickinger, a fireman on the Pennsylvania railroad; Violet, married Wesley Kerstetter, a brakeman on the Pennsylvania railroad; Earl, a tinner, unmarried; George, a fireman on the Pennsylvania railroad, married Violet Wilson and resides at West Fairview; Edna, resides at home.

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One of the contributing causes to the greatness of the United States has been the large influx of German emigrants who came from the Fatherland to better their worldly condition and to assist in the upbuilding of this country. They have succeeded in doing both, and there is no element in the heterogeneous mass of nationalities that go toward making this republic the greatest on earth that has done more than the Germans. Of this thrifty race is Harry W. Shoemaker, of Newport, Pennsylvania, descended. The name was originally written Shumacher, but as generation has succeeded generation in America it has become Anglicized.

(1) Jacob Shoemaker, a direct descendant of the first Shumacher to emigrate to the United States, was born in Pennsylvania, near

Harrisburg. He was at first a day laborer, then he acquired a farm on which he grew tobacco. He married (first) Barbara Boosier, like himself of German descent. Children by this marriage: 1. Amanda, who died young. 2. Ann, died unmarried. He married (second) Rebecca Goss, and to them were born: 1. Daniel G., of whom further. 2. Jacob, a laborer at Steelton, Pennsylvania; married Mary Crone. 3. Mary, died in childhood. 4. A son, twin of Mary, died in infancy. 5. Fannie, married Daniel Redman, a laborer. 6. Harry, married Het-tie Hawk.

(II) Daniel G. Shoemaker, son of Jacob and Rebecca (Goss) Shoemaker, was born November 10, 1849, in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania. He married, December, 1869, Mary Ann Wolf, born December 30, 1848, at Goldsborough, York county, Pennsylvania, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Souders) Wolf, of Goldsborough, Pennsylvania. Mr. Shoemaker was first a farm laborer, then was a farmer in Dauphin county for over eighteen years, on a leased farm. In 1904 he moved to Newport, Pennsylvania, and has since resided there. He and his wife are members of the Church of God. Children: 1. Fannie, born April 1, 1871, now deceased; married Daniel Marion. 2. Elizabeth, born July 7, 1874, married Hugh Crumbling, a miller at Steelton, Pennsylvania. 3. Harry W., of whom further. 4. George, born February 10, 1879, died June 6, 1880. 5. Katie, born August 28, 1881; married Fred Dupler, a teamster. 6. Adaline, born October 16, 1884, unmarried. 8. Anna, born April 17, 1891, unmarried. The parents of Mrs. Shoemaker, John and Elizabeth (Souders) Wolf, were old time residents of Goldsborough, Pennsylvania. They were both born in York county, Pennsylvania, and died in Goldsborough. He was a fish net manufacturer, and was for years an invalid. Children: 1. Catherine, married (first) John Dugan; married (second) Jesse Funk. 2. Lydia, married Luke Rhinehart, a farmer of York county. 3. Jacob, married Catherine Bone; he is a railway employee. 4. Benjamin, a farmer; married Hannah Gingrich. 5. William, of Cly, York county, Pennsylvania. 6. Mary Ann, married Daniel G. Shoemaker. 7. Elizabeth, married Augustus Wise. 8. Eliza Jane, died in infancy. 9. George, married Lydia Grooms. There were others, but no record has been kept of their birth, marriage or death.

(III) Harry W. Shoemaker, son of Daniel G. and Mary Ann

(Wolf) Shoemaker, was born in Highspire borough, Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, June 19, 1877. He was educated in the Highspire public school, and later in the Harrisburg Business College, graduating in 1894. He was employed by the Highspire Distillery Company soon after graduation and remained with them four years, and for the last three years of that time was foreman of the extensive warehouse of the distillery company. At the end of four years he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Steel Company at Steelton, where he did clerical work for two years; in August, 1904, he moved to Newport, Pennsylvania, and established a shirt factory in a building which he leased. He employed at that time twenty-five people to help him in the business. In 1906 he took possession of a more commodious plant, which he purchased May, 1910, and now has in his employ sixty men and women, with an average output of six hundred and fifty dozen shirts per week. The business is constantly growing and it will not be many years before additions will be needed to meet the demands for greater space, or a larger building erected or bought. Mr. Shoemaker is member of the Senior Order of American Mechanics, of Highspire; the Masonic order of Newport, No. 381, F. & A. M. He is a Republican, but has never held nor aspired to office. His wife is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

He married, August 13, 1904, Sadie F. Ferree, daughter of Andrew and Barbara (Wilson) Ferree; he is a truck farmer near York Haven, York county, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker have one child, La Rue Ferree, born July 27, 1912.

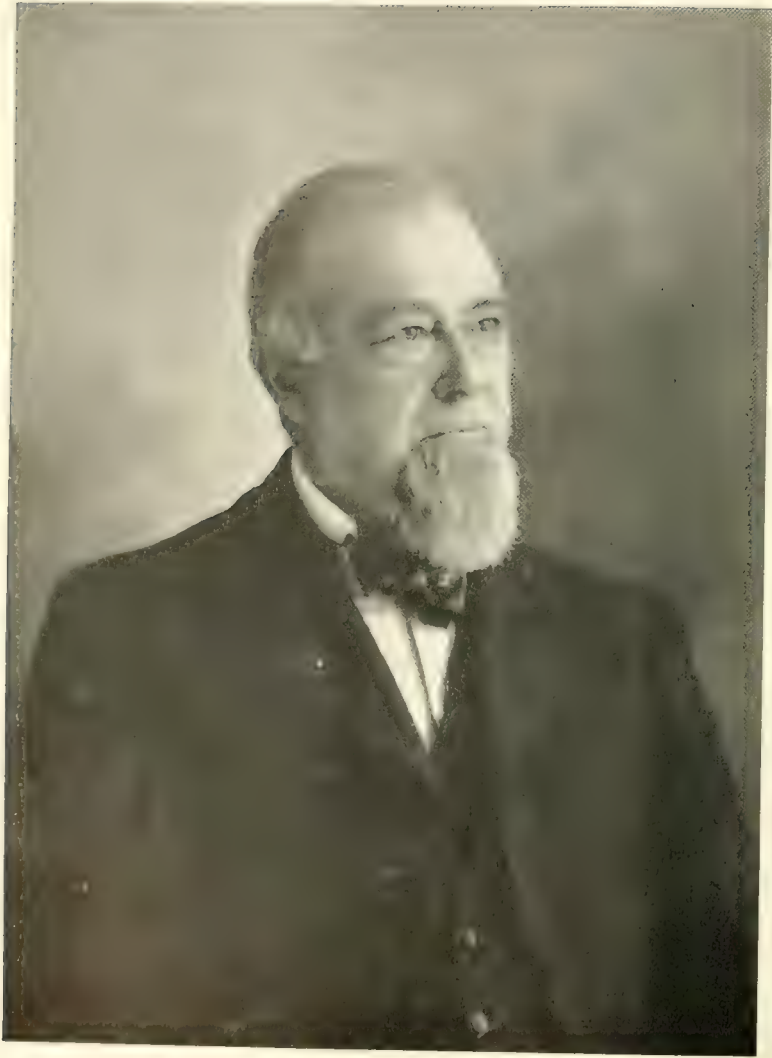
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The Baileys of Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, descend from  
BAILEY Daniel Bailey, a native of county Monaghan, province of  
Ulster, Ireland, who arrived in Philadelphia in February,  
1758. Later he settled in Monaghan township, now Carroll, York  
county, Pennsylvania, his farm being near the site of the present bor-  
ough of Dillsburg. His name occurs in a "list of the taxables" of  
1783 as the owner of fifty acres. He married and left issue.

(II) John, son of Daniel Bailey, was born in Monaghan, now  
Carroll township, York county, Pennsylvania, and there resided until  
his death, a prosperous farmer and surveyor. He married Mary Nel-  
son, of English descent. Among his children was a son, Samuel N.







*John M. Bailey*

(III) Samuel N., son of John and Mary (Nelson) Bailey, was born in Monaghan, now Carroll township, York county, in 1809, died in Dillsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1872, after a useful and valuable career. He was educated in the common schools and grew to manhood on the home farm. He was a close student and great reader with natural ability of a high order that enabled him to acquire a liberal education. He learned surveying in his younger years with his father and made that profession the main business of his life. In 1835 he located in Dillsburg, which was built partly on land owned by his grandfather, Daniel Bailey. He there resided the remainder of his life—engaged for a time in farming, later taught, served for several years as county surveyor, and for a number of years was justice of the peace. In 1843 he was elected to represent his district in the state legislature, serving three years with ability and honor. He spent eight years in Harrisburg under Adjutant General Banks and his successor, but retained his residence in Dillsburg. He was connected with one of the early militia regiments, from which he derived the title of "Colonel," by which he was ever known. He entered the service of his country in 1862, was elected lieutenant-colonel of the 12th Regiment, Pennsylvania Reserves, was in the service one year, then resigned. He married in 1836, Margaret, daughter of John and Jane (Beelman) Mumper, of Carroll township, of the old pioneer family of that name. Children: 1. William D., born in Dillsburg, January 3, 1837, graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, M. D., 1862, practiced in York, Pennsylvania, until 1863, when he entered the Union army as assistant surgeon, 78th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. In 1864 was appointed surgeon with rank of major. After the war practiced one year in Oil City, Pennsylvania, returning to Dillsburg in 1866, where he was in lucrative, honorable practice until his death, February 17, 1892. He married Josephine F., daughter of Colonel Henry Logan, of Carroll township. 2. John M., of whom further. 3. D. Bigler, a lawyer of ability, died in York, Pennsylvania, in 1881.

(IV) John Mumper, second son of Colonel Samuel N. and Margaret (Mumper) Bailey, was born in Dillsburg, York county, Pennsylvania, July 11, 1839. He attended the public schools of Dillsburg, finishing his studies at Tuscarora Academy, Academia, Juniata county, Pennsylvania. The expense of the years was in part defrayed by

teaching during four winter terms in schools of Walker, Porter and Franklin townships, Huntingdon county. During the summer vacations he read law, having determined on the legal profession as his life work. In 1859 he became a law student in the offices of Scott and Brown, Huntingdon, then a leading law firm of that borough. On August 11, 1862, he was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar and three years later to practice before the supreme court of Pennsylvania. In 1865 he was admitted to a partnership with his former preceptors, the firm name becoming Scott, Brown and Bailey. In 1869 the senior partner, John Scott, was elected United States senator and withdrew from the firm, which continued as Brown and Bailey until the admission, in 1872, of Mr. Brown's son, Charles G. Brown, when the firm name became Brown, Bailey and Brown. In 1891 a peaceful dissolution was effected, the Browns continuing, Mr. Bailey retiring and practicing alone until 1896. On November 5, 1895, he was elected president judge of the twentieth judicial district, composed of the counties of Huntingdon, Bedford and Mifflin, and on January 1, 1896, assumed the duties of that high office. He wisely and impartially presided over the courts of his district and as a judge fully realized the high opinion of his friends who had elevated him to the bench. He did not live to complete his term, but after seven years of honorable service as judge and forty-one years after his admission to the bar, he died, September 27, 1903. Judge Bailey gave his life to his profession and never sought political preferment, although, as one of the leading Democrats of his county, he could have had any office in his county within his grasp had he so desired. He, however, served his state in the constitutional convention of 1872-1873, serving in that body on important committees. He also accepted one term in the borough council of Huntingdon and served his brethren of the profession as president of the county bar association. He was learned in the law and his years of practice, 1862 to 1896, were characterized no less by marked ability than by his scrupulous regard for the interests of his clients. He won the confidence of his community in which his life had been spent, not only as an able lawyer, but as an earnest upright citizen. Believing not only in his ability, but in his high character also, the electors of his district said: "Come up higher," and to his other known traits was added that of a "just and upright judge." He was an active



member of the Masonic order; was past master of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Free and Accepted Masons, and past high priest of Standing Stone Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, both of Huntingdon. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, which he joined in 1864, and was a faithful supporter of that church and its various departments of Christian effort.

Judge Bailey married, May 25, 1869, Letitia, daughter of Thomas and Rachel (Jackson) Fisher, both life-long residents of Huntingdon county. Thomas Fisher was for more than fifty years a merchant; was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Huntingdon; a member of its first board of directors, later became president, an office he held until his death. He also served as treasurer of Huntingdon county and chief burgess of the borough of Huntingdon. He had seven children: 1. Fanny, died in Huntingdon, unmarried. 2. Belle, died in Huntingdon, unmarried. 3. Horatio G., died May 8, 1890, a prominent coal operator of the Clearfield and Jefferson county districts, was prominent also in political life, serving as state senator and member of the national house of representatives. He was succeeded in business by his son as president of the Berwind-White Coal Mining Company, the largest producers of bituminous coal in this country. 4. Thomas, died in 1884; his father's partner in business. 5. Letitia, married Judge John M. Bailey. 6. Kate, married J. C. Blair, of Huntingdon, an extensive paper manufacturer, whom she survives. 7. Mary, married R. Allison Miller; both deceased. Children of Judge John M. and Letitia Bailey: Thomas F., of whom further; Margaret and William, died in childhood. Mrs. Letitia (Fisher) Bailey survives her husband, she and her sister Kate being the last of the family. She is a resident of Huntingdon, a member of the Presbyterian church and a lady greatly beloved.

(V) Thomas F., only son of Judge John M. and Letitia (Fisher) Bailey to survive childhood, was born in Huntingdon, November 15, 1871. His early education was obtained in the public schools and Blairstown Academy, Blairstown, New Jersey. He prepared at Lawrenceville Preparatory School, Lawrenceville, New Jersey, entered Princeton University, whence he was graduated, degree of A. B., class of 1894. At the university he took special interest in the debating and literary societies, belonging to the Coffee House Club, which studies

exclusively the plays of Sheridan; the Clio Hall Club, a debating society, and to the Tiger Inn Club. His fraternity is Tiger Inn. After leaving the university he began the study of law under the preceptorship of his honored father and in 1896 was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar. He at once began practice in Huntingdon, alone, the elevation of his father to the bench frustrating their long cherished plan of a partnership. Mr. Bailey has been very successful in his profession, has an extensive practice in all state and federal courts of his district and, while conducting a general practice, gives especial attention to corporation law and the trial of cases before judge and jury. He is a Democrat in politics, a member of the borough school board, and is interested in all that pertains to the welfare of his town. He belongs to the Masonic order, the state and county bar associations and is a communicant of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Bailey married, November 19, 1902, Wilhelmina, daughter of Carl Lentz, born in Germany, a prominent leader of the Republican party in Newark, New Jersey, a veteran of the civil war, who carries an empty sleeve, his wife's name being Huldah Wildrick Lentz. The only child of Thomas F. and Wilhelmina Bailey, Elizabeth, was born January 7, 1904.

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The earliest record found of this branch is in New  
DE VAULT Jersey, where Joel De Vault was born, December 25,  
1789, died in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, December 2,  
1862. He lived in New Jersey until 1825, then prior to the year 1828  
came to Pennsylvania. He became a wealthy farmer and large land  
owner of the Juniata Valley, his lands lying along the Black Log  
mountains. His wife, Mary, born in New Jersey, July 4, 1793, died in  
Juniata county, Pennsylvania, July 26, 1845. Children: 1. Eliza, born  
November 17, 1813, died in Granville township, June 12, 1886. 2.  
Joel, born March 14, 1817. 3. Michael, born February 25, 1819, died  
in Charleston, Illinois, December 26, 1881. 4. George W., of whom  
further. 5. Christian, born April 1, 1825, died August 17, 1825. 6.  
John L. S., born April 12, 1828, the first of the children born in Penn-  
sylvania. 7. Mary J., born January 15, 1833, was killed by the cars  
at Millintown, Pennsylvania, September 17, 1837. 8. Caroline, born  
March 31, 1835, met her death by accidental burning in Deadwood,





*James Nichols*



South Dakota; she married Patrick Gaston. Joel De Vault married a second wife, Elizabeth, who bore him several children.

(II) George Washington, third son and fourth child of Joel and Mary De Vault, was born in New Jersey, May 9, 1822, died in Peoria, Illinois, April 29, 1877. He was a very young child when his parents moved to Juniata county, Pennsylvania, where he grew to manhood, obtaining an education in the public schools. When a young man he left the home farm and located in Marshall county, Illinois, with his brothers, Michael and John L. S. In 1846 he settled in Peoria, where he was general agent for the Truesdale Sewing Machine Company. He was a Republican in politics, and member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married (first) December 3, 1845, Elizabeth McLaughlin, who died April 27, 1853, leaving two children: 1. Eliza Jane, born 1846; married William Cortell. 2. William B., born February 25, 1848. He married (second) October 24, 1853, Hannah E. Allen, born August 8, 1833, who died leaving three children. 3. George Edwin, born September 30, 1854. 4. Marten Hollis, born April 6, 1857; now a shoe dealer of Kansas City, Missouri. 5. Noble Cullen, born December 25, 1859. He married (third) August 6, 1872, Catherine, daughter of James and Mary Ann (Blymyer) Nichols; their child: 6. Mary Nichols, born August 9, 1876, married James Franklin Collins, an iron worker, residing in Lewistown; child, Mary Catherine. Mrs. Catherine (Nichols) De Vault survives her husband and resides in Lewistown.

(The Nichols Line).

(I) William Nichols came to Juniata Valley, settling at Lewisburg, where he was a merchant for several years, and died May 25, 1852. His first wife, Elizabeth (Crull) Nichols, whom he married in York county, Pennsylvania, August 13, 1807, died September 3, 1811, and in 1813 he married her sister, Jane Crull, who died June 7, 1826.

(II) James, son of William Nichols, was born in York county, Pennsylvania, January 6, 1809, died July 3, 1885. He married, in 1829, Mary Ann Blymyer, born July 14, 1809, died August 2, 1889. They came to Lewistown in 1849 by boat on the Juniata canal and for several years James Nichols was a toll gate keeper. Later he started a grocery on East Market street, then was elected justice of the peace, an office he held for many years until his death. He was an ardent

Whig, later a Republican, supporting that party with all the earnestness of his nature. He served for a time as tax collector and was always active and interested in public affairs. He lived at No. 110 West Market street, which he purchased, and where he and his wife both died. They were active members of the Lutheran church and highly respected. His wife was a daughter of John and Margaret (Shutter) Blymyer, both born in York county. John was a saddler by trade and met his death by drowning while attempting to cross the Susquehanna river on a raft to Halifax, Pennsylvania. James and Mary Ann Nichols celebrated their golden wedding in 1879 at Lewistown, thirteen grandchildren being present. Children: 1. Elizabeth, born January 15, 1830, died August 8, 1897; married Andrew McCoy. 2. Margaret, born December 9, 1832; married Peter Ort, whom she survives, a resident of Tyrone, Pennsylvania. 3. Catherine, born December, 1836; widow of George Washington De Vault. 4. Leah Jane, born April 14, 1838; married William N. Hoffman; resides in Lewistown. 5. William B., born July 8, 1840, died October 22, 1859. 6. Anna Eliza, born May 9, 1842, died May 3, 1890; married G. Rose Reese. 7. Mary Susan, born April 15, 1844, died September 5, 1845. 8. Martha Ellen, born May 8, 1846; married John H. Reiley, whom she survives, a resident of Tyrone, Pennsylvania.

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Charles C. Brewster, of Huntingdon, now serving  
 BREWSTER his second term as district attorney of Huntingdon county, is a descendant of Elder William Brewster of the Mayflower, through the Franklin county, Pennsylvania, branch. He is a great-grandson of William Brewster, an early settler and general merchant of Fannettsburg, Franklin county, who married Margaret Robinson.

Their son Henry, born in Fannettsburg in 1798, died in Shirleysburg, Pennsylvania, in 1880. He was a general merchant and man of prominence in public life (for full account of his career, see another Brewster family sketch in this work). He married (first) Nancy Campbell, who was the mother of his eldest son, William H.

William H., son of Henry and Nancy (Campbell) Brewster, was born in Concord, Franklin county, Pennsylvania, in 1829, died at Shirleysburg, Pennsylvania, January 9, 1906. He was educated in the

public schools and from early boyhood was a worker in his father's store. He there obtained a thorough preparation for the active mercantile life of fifty years that was spent in Shirleysburg, Pennsylvania. He succeeded to his father's business in Shirleysburg on the retirement of the latter in 1853 and was its active, energetic head until his latter years, when the heavier burdens of management were shifted to the shoulders of his sons. He never, however, retired, but was potent in the conduct of the business until the last. In his younger years he had studied surveying and all through his life did his own surveying of property as well as acting in the same capacity for others. He was one of the best known business men of the county, his long years as merchant and his work as surveyor having brought him into contact with a great number of people. He was a most capable man of affairs and in all his transactions was the soul of uprightness and integrity. He was a Republican in politics, but never sought public office, his private business furnishing an outlet for all his energy. Both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church, which they earnestly supported with personal work and liberal contributions. He married in Shirleysburg, Mary Stewart, who died February 20, 1895, daughter of Robert Stewart, a farmer and live stock dealer of Huntingdon county, where he died a young man. Mary, the daughter, left an orphan at an early age, was taken into the family of Rev. G. W. Shaiffer, the Presbyterian minister at Shirleysburg, who cared for and educated her. Children: Robert Henry, now living retired at Shirleysburg; Frank Stewart, now a member of the Huntingdon county board of surveyors, residing at Shirleysburg; William Roy, died in infancy; Charles C., of whom further; Laura, died in infancy; John, died in infancy.

Charles C., fourth son of William H. and Mary (Stewart) Brewster, was born in Shirleysburg, Pennsylvania, November 18, 1867. He was educated in the public schools, Shirleysburg Academy (then conducted by Professor J. B. Kidder, a prominent educator of his day) and Juniata College, where he spent the required years to graduate, but departing from the regular courses, taking surveying and other special studies, therefore did not receive a degree. From 1891 to 1897 he was deputy register and recorder of Huntingdon county, then studied law under the direction of Thomas F. Bailey and in 1899 was admitted

to the Huntingdon county bar. He at once began the practice of law in Huntingdon, where he is well established in general practice. In 1909 he was elected district attorney of Huntingdon county, served his term most acceptably and in 1912 was reelected. He is a Republican in politics and from 1906 to 1909 served as chief burgess of Huntingdon.

He is a member of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Free and Accepted Masons; Standing Stone Chapter, No. 201, Royal Arch Masons; Huntingdon Commandery, No. 65, Knights Templar; Jaffa Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (of Altoona); the Patriotic Order Sons of America; the Heptasophs, and the Royal Arcanum. His professional societies are: The American, Pennsylvania State and Huntingdon County Bar Associations.

Mr. Brewster married, October 30, 1900, Mary, daughter of John Brewster, president of Standing Stone National Bank of Huntingdon (see his history in this work). Children: Janet, born January 13, 1907; Mary Stewart, July 11, 1908; John, December 15, 1911.

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In distant England, in the town of Penzance, Cornwall, Richard Langdon was born of English parents.

There he worked in the mines, married and lived until about 1835, when he came to the United States, settling at Pottsville, Pennsylvania. There he also engaged in mining, holding an official capacity. For several years he was also connected with lead mining in Missouri, but later returned to Pottsville; died in Minersville about 1873. He was an expert in his business and known to his intimate friends as a bountiful entertainer and a most excellent teller of good stories. His wealth of experience gained in the mines of two countries gained him important positions and made him an authority on deep and difficult undertakings. Children: Jane, deceased; Samuel, a soldier of the civil war, died from the effect of his service; Mary, married (first) George Wigmore, (second) a Mr. Jones, and now lives in Chicago, Illinois; Richard (2), of whom further; Jesse W., died at Spring Grove, Pennsylvania, a hardware merchant.

(II) Richard (2), son of Richard (1) Langdon, was born in Penzance, Cornwall, England, March 19, 1830, died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1890. He was brought to the United States when a



boy and became a miner under his father's direction. After his marriage he settled at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, but later settled in Schuylkill county; later he went to Bedford county, Pennsylvania, where from about 1855 he was superintendent of coal mines for R. B. Davis & Company. Later he became a mine owner, operating in Bedford county and in Clearfield county until his death. He operated many mines during his career, both for others and for himself, being a pioneer in some of the now well known producing districts. His home, however, from about 1855 was at Huntingdon. He was a Democrat in politics; was active in local affairs and was one time chief burgess of Huntingdon. He believed in the enforcement of law and is remembered by the old residents as the "fighting burgess." Both he and his wife were members of the Episcopal church. He married (first) Ann Denithorne, born in Penzance, England, January 22, 1830, died in Huntingdon in 1878, daughter of John and Ann (Bartol) Denithorne, both born in Cornwall, England. In 1848, the family came to the United States, settling at Phoenixville, Chester county, Pennsylvania. John Denithorne was a stone mason and followed that trade with profit. Later he purchased a farm on which Phoenixville is partly built. He died there in June, 1877, aged seventy-four years and ten months. His wife died May 29, 1880, aged seventy-one years and three months; both members of the Episcopal church. Children of John and Ann (Bartol) Denithorne: 1. William, born 1827, died young. 2. Ann, married Richard (2) Langdon, of previous mention. 3. William (2), born July 31, 1832, a boiler maker and formerly captain of Battery C, Pennsylvania State Militia. 4. Elizabeth, born September 5, 1837, never married. 5. William (3), born January 1, 1840, died in the Union army in 1864. 6. Richard, born June 1, 1842, died in Philadelphia, a contractor. 7. Amelia, born December 24, 1844, married Jacob Mildren and died in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. 8. James, born May 18, 1847, died in Huntingdon, a machinist and boiler maker, later a coal operator. 9. Catherine, born October 20, 1850, in Phoenixville, died in 1909, married (first) I. W. March, (second) Oliver Nichols. 10. Mary, born July 21, 1854, died in infancy. Children of Richard (2) and Ann (Denithorne) Langdon: 1. Samuel, died in Philadelphia, a coal operator. 2. Elizabeth, married James C. Long and resides in Philadelphia. 3. Richard (3), died in 1878. 4. John,

of whom further. 5. Mary, married Harry A. Jacobs and resides in Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania. 6. William Denithorne, resides in Bedford county. 7. Annie, married Charles A. Coyle, whom she survives, a resident of Philadelphia.

(III) John, son of Richard (2) and Ann (Denithorne) Langdon, was born in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, May 18, 1856. He was educated in the public schools and in boyhood worked around the coal mines. In 1872 he went to the Broad Top coal regions and was associated with his father as clerk in the company stores and later under him learned the details of mine management. He was placed in charge of some of the mines owned by his father and in 1884 branched out independently as mine superintendent in the Clearfield district. He incorporated the Clearfield Consolidated Coal Company; was its superintendent until 1889, when he returned to the Broad Top district. There he became connected with several producing coal companies as stockholder and official, but in 1900 sold out all his holdings in these and began his successful career as an individual operator. He has now centered all his interests in Bedford county, where, in his own mines, he employs about three hundred men, shipping his coal to Pennsylvania points, the New England and southern states, also to New Jersey and New York. He is not only a practical mine superintendent, thoroughly familiar with every detail of the mine, but is a capable, efficient man of business, able to combat in the selling as well as the producing field. He is a director of the Union National Bank of Huntingdon, also is interested in the First National Bank of Huntingdon. He is independent in politics and served three years in the city council. In religious faith both he and his wife are members of the Episcopal church, which Mr. Langdon served as senior warden. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and treasurer of his lodge.

Mr. Langdon married, in 1879, Annie H. Zeth, born in Bedford county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Martin V. Zeth. Children: Jaimes, born in 1880, died in infancy; Chester J., born 1883, married Justina Marsteller and resides in Bedford county; Sarah, born 1885, died in February, 1909, married Thomas J. Strickler and left a son, John; Anna Catherine, born in November, 1896; and Helen, born in November, 1898.

The Simpsons came to Huntingdon from Bucks county, Pennsylvania, a strong Scotch-Irish family. John Simpson of Huntingdon was a revolutionary officer, born in Bucks county. He was a lieutenant in the revolution and shortly after that war was over married, in Dauphin county, a daughter of a comrade in arms and settled within the limits of the present borough of Huntingdon, at what is now the corner of Second and Penn streets. He was a blacksmith by trade and had his shop next door to his dwelling, the site now being occupied by Dr. Moore. He also carried on farming operations in connection with his smithy. Both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church. He married in Dauphin, Margaret, daughter of Captain James Murray, also an officer of the revolution. Lieutenant Simpson died in 1807, leaving a large family.

(II) John (2), youngest child of Lieutenant John and Margaret (Murray) Simpson, was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, June 21, 1798, died in 1873. He grew to manhood there and became a farmer, inheriting a portion of his father's land. He was a Democrat in politics and both he and his wife were members of the Episcopal church. He married (first) Elizabeth Ridenour, born in Huntingdon in 1798, died there in 1851, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Piper) Ridenour, both born in Maryland, but coming to Huntingdon about the year 1800, settling at Third and Penn streets. John (2) Simpson, married (second) Mrs. Mary (Holiday) McAllister. Children of first marriage: 1. John Murray, born in Huntingdon, June 5, 1828, died on his farm in Oneida township, Huntingdon county. He was a merchant, then a boatman, later a farmer. He was a Democrat in politics, serving as burgess of Huntingdon, tax collector and supervisor. He married, December 15, 1853, Sarah M. Glasgow, of Mifflin county, daughter of Major James Glasgow, an officer of the revolution; children: Elizabeth, died in infancy; John G., married Annie Logan; James; Ermina, married David Smith, of Carlisle; Ella, married Charles Frey, of Huntingdon; William M., married Dolly Shoff; Frank, married Minnie Warfel; and Joseph. 2. George W., a printer, who gallantly died at the head of his regiment, the 125th Pennsylvania, whose colors he was proudly bearing in one of the desperate charges of that great battle. The blood-stained colors are preserved by his sisters in fond remem-

brance of the gallant youth who gave his life in their defense. 3. James Randolph, of whom further. 4. Anna M., resides in Huntingdon. 5. Lydia M., resides in Huntingdon. 6. Elizabeth, died in infancy. 7. Matthias, died in infancy.

(III) James Randolph, third son of John and Elizabeth (Ridenour) Simpson, was born in Huntingdon, December 13, 1841. He was educated in the public school and spent his early life on the farm. He was for a time clerk in a store, but the war between the states coming on, he entered the Union army, enlisting August 7, 1862, in Company C, 125th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. At the same battle, Antietam, that claimed the toll of his elder brother's life, Mr. Simpson was wounded (being shot through the body), and in April, 1863, was honorably discharged for disability. Returning from the war he taught school two years, beginning the study of law in March, 1864, under the preceptorship of A. W. Benedict. The following August he was placed in charge of the prothonotary's office, for W. C. Wagoner, and in 1866 was elected prothonotary of Huntingdon county for a term of four years. The same year he was admitted to the bar, being now the oldest practicing attorney of that bar. He is a successful lawyer and holds a high position in the regard of his legal brethren. While his large practice is general in its character, he has given special attention to orphan's and probate court practice. He is a member, and for ten years has been president, of the Huntingdon county bar association. In 1892, on the admission of his son to the bar, he admitted him to a partnership, the firm becoming and still continuing J. R. & W. B. Simpson. He is a Progressive in politics and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church. Now nearing a half century of legal practice in Huntingdon, Mr. Simpson has a right to review his career with pride and pleasure. Admitted to and honored in all state and federal courts of his district, with a reputation for ability and integrity second to none, he has added to this the highest regard and esteem of many personal friends and the respect of the entire community. He has aided in the upbuilding of his native borough and added to its archives the record of an honorable, well-spent life. Mr. Simpson married, February 12, 1867, Jennie M. Brown, born in Huntingdon, daughter of John and Jane Brown, of old Huntingdon county, agricultural families. Children: 1. George Ernest,





*J. Randolph Simpson*



now engaged in the insurance business in Huntingdon. 2. Warren B., of whom further. 3. Barton L., secretary of the Berwind-White Coal Mining Company and resides in Philadelphia. 4. Helen, married George A. Boomer and resides in Oakland, California. 5. Charles R., a civil engineer, now residing in Elizabeth, New Jersey. Two daughters and a son died in infancy.

(IV) Warren Brown, second son of James Randolph and Jennie M. (Brown) Simpson, was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, November 1, 1869. He obtained his education in the public schools and was instructed in the principles of law under the able supervision of his honored father, who on his admission to the Huntingdon county bar in 1892 admitted him as junior member of the law firm of J. R. & W. B. Simpson, one of the leading firms of the Huntingdon bar.

On April 27, 1898, Warren B. Simpson enlisted in Company A, 5th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving until November of the same year, when he was honorably discharged, having spent most of his time in camp at Chickamauga. For many years he has been secretary of the Franklin Building and Loan Association and since 1906 secretary of the Raystown Water Power Company. This latter company he promoted with his brother, George E. Simpson, in 1906 to convert the water power of the Raystown branch of the Juniata to useful purposes. After the incorporation of the company, a dam was completed on December 11, 1911, eight hundred and fifty feet long, fifty feet high, fifty feet thick at its base, all of solid reinforced concrete, with a water head of thirty-four feet fall. This dam backs the water eight miles up stream and, aside from its practical side, has created a most beautiful artificial lake, with the mountain in places sloping down to the shores and in other places sheer red sand stone rocks near their summit, three hundred feet above the surface of the lake. But the object of the dam was utilitarian and in a modern plant developing thirty-nine hundred horse power electricity is gathered and sent over wires to light the towns of Huntingdon, Mt. Union, Mapleton, Smithfield, Williamsburg and smaller towns, also furnishing motive power to several large manufacturing plants. The company is capitalized at seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars, the officers being: J. E. Smucker, president; J. R. Simpson, vice-president; G. E. Simpson,

second vice-president; W. B. Simpson, secretary and treasurer; J. H. Sweet, H. C. Kinsloe, John B. Kunz, directors.

Mr. Simpson is a Progressive in politics, belongs to the Knights of Pythias, the Patriotic Order Sons of America; the state and county bar associations and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Simpson was elected a member of the state legislature, serving the sessions of 1907 and 1909. He was one of the working members of the assembly, serving on committees: Electrical Railways, Judiciary, General and Special; Fish and Game. A Republican, he supported the Progressive candidates of 1912 for the presidency and is firm in his belief in the future of that party.

He married, March 22, 1899, Sue E., daughter of Benjamin and Lydia Miller of Huntingdon. Children: Richard Murray, Frederick Miller, Mildred, Robert Brown, Helen Wilkins.

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The progenitor of the Dunns herein recorded was John DUNN Dunn, born in Ireland, where his youth was spent. He came to the United States when a young man and here married Catherine Harnish, born in Huntingdon county, where their after lives were spent. John Dunn enlisted in a Pennsylvania regiment during the second war with Great Britain and saw hard service on the Niagara frontier. He was out during the winter months and suffered hardships and privations of great severity, the snow on one occasion being stained by the blood from his poorly protected feet while he was compelled to march. John Dunn was a member of the Presbyterian church, his wife belonging to the Reformed church. Children: David, of whom further; Mary A., died unmarried, September 25, 1878; John, a tanner, died at Bellwood, Pennsylvania.

(II) David, son of John and Catherine (Harnish) Dunn, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, July 4, 1820, died January 13, 1885. He was one of the earlier "iron men" of the Juniata Valley and at different times was superintendent of the Colerain furnaces in Franklin township; the Rockhill furnace in Cromwell township, Huntingdon county, and at the Ætna furnaces in Blair county. About 1853 he abandoned iron manufacture and settled in Huntingdon, where he established a general mercantile business and operated a line of boats on the old Juniata canal. He transported by these boats, not only his



own goods, but handled the freight shipments of nearly every merchant in the town until 1862, when he retired from that business. He then formed a partnership with Colonel J. J. Lawrence, then superintendent of the Huntingdon and Broad Top railroad. They operated as Dunn & Lawrence and had two bituminous coal mines in the Broad Top district. This partnership was dissolved in 1866. He then located near Houtzdale, Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, and until about 1870 was there engaged in the manufacture of staves for the Cuban market. He then purchased the "Hamer farm" of two hundred acres, located in Walker township, three and a half miles south of Huntingdon, where he engaged in agriculture until his death in 1885. He was an elder of the Reformed church, prominent locally and gained a national reputation by appearing before the general synod of United States with what is known as the "Dunn Appeal," winning there a notable victory for his church. This was an appeal from the ruling of the church as to the distribution of moneys contributed for benevolent purposes. Mr. Dunn's contention was that each church should determine to what purpose the money should be applied rather than to leave this to be decided by the classes or synod. Mr. Dunn carried his case to the Potomac Synod, where the appeal was defeated, but believing in the justice of his contention he appealed in person to the General Synod, gaining from that august body a favorable decision. He was a Whig in politics until 1856; assisted in the formation of the Republican party in Pennsylvania and ever afterward supported that organization, serving in the borough council and on the school board. He married Annie Ferguson, born in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, September 14, 1826, who survived him twenty-two years, dying at the home of her son Horace B., November 29, 1907, having made her home with him during the entire period of her widowhood. She was a daughter of David and Margaret (McKibbin) Ferguson, both born in the north of Ireland. After coming to the United States David Ferguson settled in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, where he became the owner of a large farm in Path Valley near Concord, where he died in 1840. His widow survived him until 1872. He was a Democrat in politics and both were members of the United Presbyterian church. Children of David and Margaret Ferguson: 1. William, died in Michigan; a farmer. 2. James, born in Franklin county, a farmer of

Path Valley and at one time associate county judge. 3. John, a farmer of Pike county, Illinois, where he died. 4. Jane, married David Etnier and died at Mill Creek, Pennsylvania. 5. David (2), died in youthful manhood. 6. Hannah, married George Colgate and removed to Adams county, Illinois, where she died. 7. Joseph, died in Pike county, Illinois, a farmer. 8. Andrew Jackson, died at East Waterford, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, a merchant and farmer. 9. Annie, of previous mention, married David Dunn. Their children were: Horace B., of further mention, and Cora, who died March 31, 1864.

(III) Horace B., only son of David and Annie (Ferguson) Dunn, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, January 7, 1858. He was educated in the public schools and at Huntingdon Academy. He pursued a course of legal study under the preceptorship of K. Allen Lovell and was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar December 18, 1882. He at once began practice in Huntingdon; has been admitted to the superior court of Pennsylvania and is one of the leading lawyers of the Huntingdon bar. He is a Republican and since 1887 has been actively engaged in public life. In 1887-1890 and in 1891 he was chairman of the Republican county committee. From 1889 until 1895 he was a member of the borough council of Huntingdon. From January, 1897, until January, 1903, he was district attorney of Huntingdon county. In 1910 he was elected to the Pennsylvania house of representatives and in 1912 was reelected and is a member of the house now in session (1913). Besides his large private practice, Mr. Dunn is local attorney for R. G. Dun & Company and is a director of Standing Stone National Bank of Huntingdon. He is a member of the County Bar Association; Blue Cross Lodge, No. 295; Knights of Pythias; Standing Stone Conclave, No. 134, Improved Order of Heptasophs, and both he and his wife are members of the Reformed church at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Dunn married, May 30, 1888, Clara Adelaide Williams, born in Ohio, daughter of Nelson C. and Lucinda D. Williams, both born in Portage county, Ohio; her father deceased. Children: 1. David, born July 15, 1891, graduate of Huntingdon high school, was a student at Juniata College, later entered Franklin and Marshall College, whence he was graduated, class of 1911; now a student of the Divinity School of Yale University. 2. Robert Williams, born June 1, 1895, member

of the senior class of 1913 at Huntingdon high school and is president of his class.

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The Bell family has been well and favorably known in the BELL annals of Pennsylvania for many years, and various members of this family have bravely offered their lives in defense of the rights of their beloved country. They have been connected with many important business enterprises, and are represented in the present generation in Huntingdon county by Charles Frederick Bell, secretary and treasurer of the Grange Trust Company.

(I) Charles Bell, grandfather of the man whose name is mentioned above, was a distiller by occupation, a resident of Milroy for many years, where his death occurred. He and his wife were consistent attendants at the Lutheran church. He married Rebecca Kelly, born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, died at Milroy, in the same state, and they had children: George W., see forward; John, lives in Decatur township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania; James, died in Cresson, Pennsylvania; Charlotta, married Henry Steininger, and lives in Lewistown; Laura, married Hiram Herbster, and lives in Yeagertown, Pennsylvania; Eleanore, married the Rev. O. M. Stewart, and lives in Kansas City, Missouri.

(II) George W., son of Charles and Rebecca (Kelly) Bell, was born near McAlevys Fort, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, March 9, 1841, and died in Mooresville, Pennsylvania, February 6, 1911. He settled in West township, where he was engaged in farming for some years, then purchased the home in Mooresville, where he spent the remainder of his life. During the latter part of the civil war he enlisted in Company K, 205th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served for about the last nine months of that struggle. During this time he was in active service around Fort Stedman, Richmond and Petersburg. Early in the war he was a member of the militia but saw no active service during this time. He was a Republican in political opinion, and he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, active in its interests, and he served it for a long period as steward and trustee. He was also a member of the local Grange. He married Ann Gettis, born in West township, December 11, 1846, died in Mooresville, May 2, 1908. She was the daughter of Patrick

and Victoria (Montgomery) Gettis, the death of the latter occurring in 1879. Patrick Gettis was born in 1800 and died July 2, 1892. He lived in West township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, where he was occupied as a carpenter and farmer, being the owner of a farm of two hundred acres. His father, Robert Gettis, was a native of Ireland, and came to this country with his wife, also born in Ireland, in a sailing vessel; he was a soldier during the war of 1812, from which he never returned, being probably lost near Lake Erie. Patrick Gettis was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He had children: Alexander, living in Petersburg, Pennsylvania; Martha, married Daniel Baker, and died at Scottdale, Pennsylvania, 1899; Eliza, married Augustus Sisler, and died in Iowa; William, died unmarried on the old homestead about 1903; Robert, died in the United States service, in 1862, at Falmouth, Virginia; James, killed at Altoona, in the Pennsylvania Railroad yards; Agnes, married Leonard Armstrong and lives in Petersburg, Pennsylvania; Ann; one child which died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Bell had children: Rhoda, died in 1892 at the age of twenty; Charles Frederick, see forward; Ruth, married James G. Miller, and lives in Miller township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania; William, died at the age of three years; Robert Harry, was graduated from the state college, and is now an assistant in the experimental station of the Department of Pomology.

(III) Charles Frederick, son of George W. and Ann (Gettis) Bell, was born in West township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, August 18, 1875. His education was an excellent one and was acquired in the public schools of his section of the country and at Juniata College. For one year he was in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Wilmerding, Pennsylvania, then, in 1899, became a clerk in the East Pittsburgh National Bank, at Wilmerding, a position he held for five years. His next field of activity was Pittsburgh, where he held a position in the Mechanics' National Bank until they combined with the First National Bank, when he went to the Mellon National Bank, this, altogether, covering a period of two years. He then returned to Wilmerding, where he obtained the position of assistant cashier in the same bank in which he had previously been employed. In 1908 he removed to Huntingdon county, having become secretary and treasurer of the Grange Trust Company, which had just







*Josiah Miller*

been organized, and which his executive ability has greatly assisted. This bank has a capital of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, surplus and undivided, the profits amount to twelve thousand dollars, the deposits total two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, the depositors numbering between one thousand and twelve hundred. The stock is held by the largest number of people of any institution here, about two hundred and eighty, almost all of whom are residents of Huntingdon county. The officers are: President, Dr. W. T. Sheaffer; first vice-president, T. O. Milliken; second vice-president, Harry W. Read; secretary and treasurer, Charles Frederick Bell; assistant secretary and treasurer, George E. Corcelius. Mr. Bell is a Republican in political matters, and he is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Bell married, June 3, 1903, Carrie, born in Huntingdon county, a daughter of John M. and Ann Johnson, and they have had children: Elizabeth, Jane, Robert and Ann.

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This family has been prominent in the Juniata Valley since early days and the name is perpetuated by Millers Ferry, Millersville, and other similar monuments to the pioneers. The first of this branch who can be definitely located is George Miller, born in 1807. He was a blacksmith by trade and in 1840 was elected justice of the peace, an office he held for many years. For four years he owned and operated a boat on the Pennsylvania state canal. He was a Democrat, and a devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal church until his death in 1889. He married Annie Morrison, born in Lewistown in 1807, daughter of James Morrison, who came to Lewistown from Rising Sun, Pennsylvania, and here followed his trade of shoemaker; he married Elizabeth Brown, and died at the home of his daughter in Lewistown. Children of George and Annie (Morrison) Miller: Mary, married John Fink, both deceased; Joseph A., of whom further; Ezilda, unmarried; Emmeline, deceased, married Frank H. Wentz.

(II) Joseph A., only son of George and Annie (Morrison) Miller, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, November 29, 1833. He was educated in the public schools, learned the blacksmith's trade, later engaged in the plumbing business, and is now living retired in his na-

tive town, having there spent his long, busy and successful life. His home, at the corner of North Main and East Third streets, he purchased in 1881. He is a Democrat in politics, and in 1887 was chief Burgess of Lewistown. He is a veteran of the civil war, being one of the first to come to the defense of "Old Glory." He enlisted for the three months' service, April 16, 1861, and was one of the first body of troops, numbering five hundred and thirty, who entered the city of Washington. He served about one year, reënlisting after his third month expired in the 78th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers. He is a member of the First Defenders Association, and is the owner of a badge presented by the state of Pennsylvania to the members of that association. In religious faith he is a Methodist.

He married, in 1879, Josephine Frey, born in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, in 1858. Children: 1. Joseph G., born in 1880; educated in the public school; graduate of Lewistown high school, and while a student in a trade school in New York City was accidentally shot and killed by a classmate, in January, 1899. 2. Anna M., born December 30, 1884; married in September, 1906, Franklin Conrad, of Sunbury, Pennsylvania, and has one child, Joseph M.

Mr. Miller is rounding out a well spent life in the enjoyment and quiet of his Lewistown home, where he has not only gained a competence, but the good-will and highest esteem of the community in which his entire life has been spent.

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The Zooks of Mifflin county (and in 1880 there were thirty-eight families of the name in that county) descend from ZOOK Moritz Zug, a grandson of Hans Zug, born in Switzerland, a Mennonite minister exiled to Germany. Moritz Zug came to this country in 1742 from Pfaltz, Germany, settling in Lancaster county, now Center township, Berks county, later moved to Whiteland township, Chester county, Pennsylvania, where he died. He left five sons, John, Christian, Henry, Abraham and Jacob; and also a daughter, Fanny.

(II) John, son of Moritz Zug or Zook, came to Mifflin county in 1793 with his brother Christian and both lived there after lives there. John Zook had sons, John, Abraham, Christian, Joseph, Jacob, David and Shem, the latter born in 1798, ten years after the next youngest



son. These sons all married and left issue, except Jacob, who had no children. There were also five daughters.

(III) Abraham, son of John Zook, was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, about 1780 and came to Mifflin county with his father in 1793. He owned a small farm of eighty acres, which he cleared and improved, and on which he lived for many years. This land was in Menno township, where in 1821 he built a saw mill, which later passed to his son Abraham (2), who sold it in 1858 to Jacob Kurtz. In 1831 Abraham Zook built a grist mill, which he operated until 1842, then sold to David Zook. He married and reared a small family. In religious faith he was a member of the Amish Mennonite church and lived strictly in accordance with the tenets of that austere faith. He died at an extreme old age, in fact, the Zook family are noted for their longevity.

(IV) David M., son of Abraham Zook, was born in Menno township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, in 1810, died near Allenville, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1892. He worked with his father on the farm and in the mill until after his marriage. He then purchased a farm and saw mill in the same township adjoining his father's land where he remained for many years lumbering and farming. He finally sold this property and moved to a farm three miles farther north. After this he made several moves, his last being to Allenville, which was his home until death. He was a member of the Amish Mennonite church, as the Zooks have ever been, and in a political faith a Republican. He married, January 31, 1832, Rebecca Bieler (or Byler), born in Lancaster county, January 22, 1813, died June 15, 1884, daughter of Jonathan Bieler, who came to Mifflin county, a few years later than the Zooks; purchased a hundred-acre farm in Menno township, where he and his wife both died. He and his wife were both member of the Amish church. Children of David M. and Rebecca Zook: 1. Barbara, deceased, married (first) Solomon King, married (second) Dr. J. K. Metz. 2. Nancy, deceased; married (first) John King, married (second) Samuel Lantz. 3. Jonathan. 4. Elizabeth, married Jonathan Miller. 5. Abraham, deceased. 6. Eli, deceased. 7. Lydia, married Isaac King. 8. David, born near Allenville, Pennsylvania, April 23, 1844, educated in the public schools and all his life has been a farmer. 9. Solomon. 10. Samuel B., of whom further. 11. Jacob. 12. Moses.

13. Levi. These children all lived to middle and old age, the youngest being nearly fifty at the time of his death.

(V) Samuel B., son of David M. and Rebecca (Bieler) Zook, was born in Mifflin county, where he grew to manhood, becoming a farmer of Menno township, where he yet resides. He is a Republican in politics and a member of the Mennonite church. He married Sarah, born in Mifflin county, daughter of Peter Allgyre. Children: David M.; Emma Eldora; Samuel Herman, of whom further; and Carrie. Three of these children died in infancy.

(VI) Samuel Herman, son of Samuel B. and Sarah (Allgyre) Zook, was born in Menno township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, October 31, 1881. He was educated at Allenville high school and Elkhart (Indiana) Institute, whence he was graduated from the business department in the class of 1903. He at once turned his attention to journalism and in partnership with his father purchased the *Belleville Times*, a weekly newspaper devoted to the interests of Mifflin county. The *Times* is independent in politics; has a circulation of about fourteen hundred weekly and is one of the leaders of public thought in the county in which it circulates. Under its present management the paper is prosperous and its weekly issues are looked forward to with interest. Mr. Zook married, February 10, 1904, Cora A. Bentz, born in Rose-land, Nebraska. Children: Chester Warren and Fay Pearl.

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The Gregory family is an ancient one in England, GREGORY where they may be traced for many generations. The family herein mentioned descends from the New York branch, which sprang from Henry Gregory, born in Nottingham, England, about 1570, came to New England and settled in Boston before 1639, moved to Springfield, thence to Stratford, Connecticut, of which he was one of the founders. His son, John Gregory, moved to New Haven, thence to Norwalk, of which he was one of the original settlers, deputy to the general court 1662, selectman 1668. There were three generations of John Gregorys sprang from him and then a Daniel, whose son Daniel (2), who was one of the first settlers of Plattekill, Ulster county, New York. From Ulster county the family spread to northern and central and southwestern New York, and are found in Albany, Chenango, Cattaraugus and other counties of New York. The

grandfather of Benjamin F. Gregory was a Chenango county farmer, later of Cattaraugus county, where he died, leaving male issue, including a son Jason.

(I) Jason Gregory was born in southern New York, where he grew to manhood, then moving to Ohio. He was living in that state when the gold excitement of 1849 swept over the country and was one of those who was carried over plain and mountain in the quest for gold, and while crossing the great American desert, as then known, but now the beautiful state of Nebraska, at a place called Rawhide he was the unwilling witness of the skinning alive of one of the young men of his train by the Indians for killing a young squaw (note description in a book called "Beyond the Mississippi"). He formed a partnership with a stranger and with him "struck" gold in paying quantities. After their mine had yielded them ten thousand dollars in dust and nuggets his partner decamped with the entire proceeds. Fortunately he could not take the mine, and Jason began all over again, but ever afterward held partnerships in disfavor. He worked until he panned another ten thousand, then sold his claim for twenty-five thousand dollars and returned home by way of Cape Horn from San Francisco to New York. But the "lure of gold" was upon him and in 1852 he again went to California, and after another successful experience again returned to Marysville, Ohio, purchasing a farm in Union county, near Richwood, and in the year 1861 enlisted the twenty-sixth day of October, at Marysville, Ohio, in Company F, 66th Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He served during the entire period of the civil war, was admitted to the Soldiers' Home at Dayton, Ohio, April 2, 1887, and died December 23, 1893, and was buried with military honors; age at death, 88 years; body interred in Dayton Home Cemetery; location of grave, Sec. I, row 21, grave 37.

He married, in Cattaraugus county, New York, in 1832, Cynthia Newton, born in southern New York, died in Nebraska, aged eighty-four years, and for seventy-six years a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a mother of nine children, all girls but one, the youngest being Benjamin F. Gregory, the subject of this biography. She married (second) a Mr. Street and moved to Indiana, on the Macintucky lake, where he was killed by the caving in of a well, the land being very sandy in this locality. She married (third) John W. Turner

and moved to Iowa, where he followed his trade of blacksmith; he worked for the Northwestern railroad when being built through the state, later died in Iowa. She then moved to Nebraska with her youngest son, Benjamin F. Gregory, only son of nine children by first husband, and there died at the home of a daughter, Laura E. Whiteman, Lincoln, Nebraska, while on a visit.

(11) Benjamin Franklin, youngest of the nine children of Jason and Cynthia (Newton) Gregory, was born on the farm near Richwood, Union county, Ohio, later moved to Indiana. He was with his mother in Indiana and from the age of twelve years had supported himself and mother. He worked during the summer months when a boy and during the winters was able to attend school, in this way obtaining his education. At the age of twenty-two years he moved to Whiteside county, Illinois, and there married Sarah A. Newman, of Lyndon. He learned the plasterer's trade, and after his mother was left a widow for the third time moved to Fullerton, Nance county, Nebraska, with his wife and mother and one child, Etta May. He there raised a family of six children, all girls but one, who was named B. F. Gregory Jr., after the father. He there followed his trade, becoming a contractor and remaining fifteen years. During this period six children were born, five girls and one boy, his wife, mother and two children died. He later returned to Whiteside county, Illinois, with his four children and there again married. His second wife, née Jenny King, and himself not living happily were soon parted and divorced, and about 1890 he moved to Snyder county, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in the contracting of concrete construction of various kinds. He was again married in 1898 to Sarah Breon, née Spangler, of New Berlin, Pennsylvania, and moved to Sunbury, Pennsylvania, thence in 1900 to Lewistown, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in concrete contracting, with yard on Chestnut street and residence on Electric avenue in Highland Park, a suburb. He has also added the sale of coal and wood to his business, thereby making employment for his men during the winter months. He has a good, well-established business in Lewistown and surrounding territory, the first concrete contractor to establish in Lewistown. His own residence was the first block concrete house built in the county, but so rapidly has concrete grown in favor that they are no longer a rarity. He is familiar with all forms of concrete construction,



such as the building of bridges, culverts, houses, sidewalks, steps, posts, curbs, gutters, etc. He has later taken up street paving and road construction. He employs from ten to thirty men and is an energetic worker himself. He was one of the organizers of the Highland Park Sewer Company and its first president, a position he yet holds. He is a Progressive Republican and is now serving as supervisor of Derry township, a four-year term. Always a liberal giver in the support of the churches and benevolent societies, although not a member of any church always recognized a Supreme Being.

He married (first) in Whiteside county, in 1876, Illinois, Anna Newman; married (second), in Whiteside county, Julia King; he married (third) Mrs. Sarah Breon, daughter of Ellis Spangler of Union county, Pennsylvania, but at that time a resident of Snyder county, Pennsylvania. Children of first marriage: 1. Etta May, married John Allison and moved to South Dakota and later moved to Lewistown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. 2. Martle, married Howard Schock and resides in Harrisburg. 3. Iva, died in girlhood in Nebraska. 4. Estella Rosina, married Elmer Spangler and resides in Lewistown. 5. Benjamin, associated with his father in the cement contracting, coal and wood business. 6. An infant, died in Nebraska.

Benjamin F. Gregory Sr., with his wife, Sarah, are now living at their beautiful home, No. 426, on Electric avenue, Lewistown, Pennsylvania, where, surrounded by their children, all not far away, they may enjoy their declining years and reap the reward of nearly sixty years' toil and care, and have the respect and love of all with whom they come in contact in this beautiful Juniata Valley.

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The Wagner family is one of those which have been well known in the state of Pennsylvania for a number of generations and, as the name indicates, they came originally from Germany. They brought with them many of the admirable traits which distinguish the natives of that country, and these have been transmitted in ample measure to their descendants. For the most part they were engaged in agricultural pursuits, although we also find the name in the annals of professional and commercial life.

(I) Eli Wagner, who is apparently the first of this branch of the Wagner family to have settled in Pennsylvania, was born in 1826, and

died October 18, 1861. He was the owner of considerable landed property, the greater part of which was located in Armagh township. In addition to cultivating this land, he was engaged in trade as a cooper. He married Catherine Snook, who was also a native of Pennsylvania, and they had children as follows: Solomon, born July 10, 1837, married Julia A. Spigelmeyer, died 1898; Henry, born November 6, 1838, married Polly Ann Snook; Cornelius, born April 13, 1840, married Sarah Snook; Mary Ann, born July 13, 1841, married David Emmell; Edward, born September 30, 1842, married Amelia Steninger; Catherine, born June 13, 1845, married Leonard Bargo; Daniel, born January 1, 1847, married Sophia Steninger; Delilah, born June 14, 1848, married Mr. Derrough; Emmanuel, born April 16, 1850, married Alice Sunday; Levi, born October 5, 1851, married (first) Alice Snook, (second) Belle Shuck; John D., born August 17, 1853, married Rebecca Aumen; James B. A., see forward; Amos, born February 17, 1859; Eli Lincoln, born February 11, 1861, died October 18, 1861.

(II) James B. A., ninth son and twelfth child of Eli and Catherine (Snook) Wagner, was born April 17, 1857, in Mifflin, Armagh township, Pennsylvania. The common school of that section furnished him with what was considered a good education for that time, and he profited by it to the utmost of his capacity. He was engaged in the manifold labors of farm life until 1906, in which year he removed to Milroy. There he was in business for a period of four years in the store of his brother-in-law, then engaged in business for himself, and sells all kinds of machinery. In addition to this occupation a goodly portion of his time is occupied in the cultivation of his fine farm consisting of two hundred and fourteen acres, on which he is engaged in general farming. A part of this property is devoted to the purpose of stock raising, in which branch Mr. Wagner has met with undoubted success. In political matters he is a staunch supporter of Republican principles, and he and his family are devout attendants of the Lutheran church.

Mr. Wagner married, September 12, 1878, Sarah, daughter of Lewis and Fannie (Henry) Houser, and this union has been blessed with six children: 1. A son, died unnamed, July 26, 1880. 2. John Lewis, born August 3, 1881, married Bertha Ellen Longwell at Milroy, Pennsylvania, November 18, 1901, is now a letter carrier at Braddock, Pennsylvania; they have one child, Sarah Gertrude. 3. A daughter,

died unnamed, June 26, 1884. 4. Norman Heister, born September 10, 1886, died March 22, 1891. 5. Ottie Jane, born November 1, 1889; married Arthur Brown at Milroy, Pennsylvania, September 16, 1908; they have one child, Catharine Rebecca. 6. Esther Coretta, born November 3, 1897, now attending Milroy high school.

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G. Frank Bousum, of Mifflintown, Pennsylvania, a BOUSUM highly esteemed and substantial citizen of his community, has for his forbears good German stock. The Bousums were originally from Frankfort-on-the-Rhine, Germany, where many of the name still reside. The first of the name to cross the Atlantic in search of new and more advantageous surroundings landed in New York the latter part of the eighteenth century, or soon after the war of the revolution. The original immigrant of the name of Bousum remained in New York several years, finally drifting into Pennsylvania, where he established himself.

(I) William Bousum, the first of the name of whom any definite knowledge is had, was an early resident of Perry county, Pennsylvania. He moved from there to historic Juniata county, and lived for some years in Milford township. He was a carpenter by vocation, and there are in Perry and Juniata counties today many useful household articles of his handiwork. He later moved to Middletown and died there in the early nineties. He was the parent of six children: 1. Linnie, married Robert Fleming, of an old Scotch-Irish family of that section; lives in Mifflin county. 2. Catherine, married James L. Steward, and lives in Milford township, Juniata county; he served in the civil war with distinction. 3. Mary, married Mr. Minnick; both dead. 4. George W., lives in Marshalltown, Iowa. 5. David, died in the state of Washington. 6. John W., of whom further.

(II) John W. Bousum, son of William Bousum, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, and moved when young with his parents to Juniata county, and afterward to Milford township. He married (first) Catherine Guss, daughter of George and Mary Guss, who were born of German parents in Chester county, Pennsylvania, and in company with three brothers moved to Juniata county and settled in Milford township. He was a shoemaker and farmer on a small scale. He owned his own home and there died in 1889. He was the father of

five daughters and five sons. John W. and Catherine Guss were married in Juniata county. They lived for a short time in Mifflin county, and then Patterson, finally locating in Milford township. He was a track foreman, and for twenty-seven years was foreman of Selin's Grove yards. He has retired from active business and lives in Columbia county. His wife died in 1873. He is a member of the Lutheran church and in politics is a Democrat. He enlisted in the Pennsylvania volunteer infantry during the civil war, and saw active service for eighty-seven days, the term of his enlistment. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. After the death of his wife Catherine, he married (second) Anna Lehman, who is still living. Children by first marriage: 1. G. Frank, of whom further. 2. R. Louis, who lives in Mifflintown, where he has established a tailoring business. The other two children died in infancy. There are no children by second marriage.

(III) G. Frank Bousum, son of John W. and Catherine (Guss) Bousum, was born in Milford township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, November 8, 1869. He received his early education in the common schools of Red Bank, then matriculated at the Tuscarora Academy and later at the Susquehanna University. On leaving the university he attended the Iron City Business College at Pittsburg, and graduated from it in 1894. Immediately after graduation he was offered the position of bookkeeper with Guss & Seiber, which he accepted and remained with them eleven years. Leaving them he was with the Pennsylvania railway for two years, or until 1907. In 1906 he was elected register and recorder and clerk of the orphan's court. He was reelected in 1909, and will hold the offices until January 1, 1914. In politics he is a Democrat and has served for that ticket on the town council and school board, and is now on borough council. He and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. He is a Mason in high standing, a member of the Union Lodge, No. 324, Free and Accepted Masons, and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Mifflin Lodge, No. 911. Through his own unaided efforts, except for splendid mental equipment and a good education, Mr. Bousum has rapidly forged to the front as a representative man of his section. He married, June 17, 1897, Maude Vernon Lumbard, born February 22, 1871, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Lumbard, a native of Selin's Grove, Pennsyl-



vania. Children: 1. John Guss, born June 12, 1898. 2. Joyce Evelyn, born July 25, 1906.

(The Guss Line).

George Guss was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, as was his wife, Mary. With three brothers he went to Juniata county and there settled in Milford township. He bought a small farm, and in conjunction with his real vocation, that of shoemaking, he farmed. He accumulated quite a nice property by his dual occupations. Being of a thrifty German mind he saved a great portion of his earnings. He died in Milford township in 1889, or thereabouts. Children, all of whom are dead but four, are: 1. Rebecca, lives in Milford township, unmarried. 2. Elizabeth, married Samuel W. Heaps, and now lives in Walker township. 3. Mary, now dead, was the wife of Jonathan Kauffman and lived in Walker township. 4. Martha, widow of M. L. Guss, and lives in Milford township. Those dead are: 1. John, a valiant soldier in the civil war, and died from effects of exposure and hardships. 2. Alonzo H., died at Akron, Ohio. 3. Reuben L., was a hardware merchant. 4. Cloyd, killed on a railroad while going to work. 5. G. Frank, died in 1897. 6. Catherine, married John W. Bousum, and died 1873 (see Bousum II).

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The Watts family of Belleville, Pennsylvania, descend  
 WATTS from the English family of that name that has produced so many men famous in art, science and religion, including Rev. Isaac Watts, an English Independent minister and hymn writer, born July 17, 1674; Alaric Alexander Watts, a journalist and poet; George Frederick Watts, a painter and sculptor; Henry Watts, a noted chemist; and others. In the United States a well known public character was Thomas Hill Watts, born 1819, died 1892, a lawyer and statesman of Alabama. He exerted himself continually to keep his state from seceding, but later joined with the Confederacy and served as colonel of the 17th Regiment, Alabama Infantry, but in 1862 was chosen as attorney-general in the cabinet of Jefferson Davis. In 1863 he was elected governor of Alabama, and served as such until the close of the war.

The history of this branch begins with Samuel Watts, born in England prior to the year 1700, settling in Lancaster county, Pennsyl-

vania, where he followed the occupation of a farmer. He married and reared a family, including a son, Thomas.

(II) Thomas, son of Samuel Watts, was born in England, came to Pennsylvania with his father and became a farmer of Caernarvon township, Lancaster county. He married Maria Snyder, of Swiss parentage, and both died in Lancaster county. Children: 1. George, married and moved to Holmes county, Ohio, where he has descendants. 2. Philip, twice married, moved to the Kishacoquillas valley, and left two children: Franklin, who became a priest of the Roman Catholic church, and Sarah, who became a Sister of Charity, going to an institute in Paris. 3. Samuel, of whom further. 4. Catherine, married (first) a Mr. Lapp, (second) a Mr. Silknitter.

(III) Samuel (2), son of Thomas and Maria (Snyder) Watts, was born in Fairville, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, June 22, 1822, died March 16, 1910. He was educated in the public school and remained at home, his father's assistant, until 1840, when he came to Belleville to become a clerk in the store of his uncle Daniel Overholtzer. He continued his studies under private tuition at the same time, but later returned to his father's home, where he found means to acquire a thorough education, attending the academy at New London Cross Roads, Chester county. There he had as classmates two men later famous in Lancaster county—J. Smith Frithy and Robert Emmet Monaghan. Again he returned home and studied under private tutors at New Holland. He next established a private school near his home where he taught for several years. In 1844 he began his long and successful career as merchant and financier. He first opened a store at Galtsville, Lancaster county, later established in the flour and feed business at Pottsville, Schuylkill county. In 1850 he exchanged his Pottsville store for that of his uncle Daniel Overholzer in Belleville, Mifflintown, taking possession in 1851. Although starting with little capital, he so used his powers of youth, perseverance, economy and business acumen that he became one of the most substantial and useful men of his borough. As his business grew he enlarged and expanded in many ways. He was one of the principal organizers of the Kishacoquillas Valley Railroad Company and aided largely in the construction of that road in 1892 and was its first president. He was also one of the organizers and

a charter member of the Kishacoquillas Mutual Fire Insurance Company; charter member of the East Kishacoquillas Turnpike Company, a director and for several years its president. He was one of the leading incorporators of the Reedsville National Bank; its first president, serving until his death. He was also an organizer and president of the Farmer's National Bank of Belleville and of the Citizens National Bank of Lewistown, filling these responsible positions with honor and credit until his death. He aided in the improvement of Belleville by the erection of several modern residences and also made large investments in farm lands in Iowa, South Dakota and Illinois, placing these in charge of his son, Samuel Henry Watts. He abandoned mercantile life in 1895, then devoted himself to the interests of the banking institutions over which he presided. Both he and his wife were devoted members of the Methodist Episcopal church and generous contributors to all churches, regardless of creed. He was very liberal in his own church and a willing worker. He built the present Methodist church at Belleville and presented it to the congregation, and there with them worshipped and labored for the cause of religion until his death. In politics he was an ardent Republican, deeply interested in public affairs, but never sought or accepted office for himself. While Mr. Watts's life was an eminently successful one, he did not gain prominence by favor. He faced many discouragements and difficulties that would have defeated a less resolute, determined man, and fairly won the high standing he attained. When wealth was gained he used it justly, and there was never a man to say it was not fairly won. He aided in every public enterprise presented to him and much of the prosperity of his section of Mifflin county can be traced to his initiative or coöperation.

Samuel Watts married, February, 1852, Maria, daughter of John and Margaret (Kurtz) Overholtzer and granddaughter of Jacob Overholtzer, of Lancaster county. Children: 1. Elizabeth, died October 4, 1854, aged four months. 2. Martin O., deceased. 3. Samuel Henry, now living in Iowa. 4. James Kurtz, a farmer of Belleville, Pennsylvania. 5. Mary Elizabeth, married William H. Oldt, whom she survives. 6. Levi Metzler, a traveling salesman of Belleville; married October 28, 1896, Sue Stroup, daughter of Samuel and Sue (Stroup) Killian. 7. John, of whom further. 8. Isaac Sturk, educated in the

public schools, now member of the firm of Watts Brothers and interested in other Belleville business concerns.

(IV) John, son of Samuel and Maria (Overholtzer) Watts, was born in Belleville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, November 12, 1866, now member of the firm of Watts Brothers of Belleville. He was educated in the public schools and began business life as a clerk in his father's store. In 1895, in company with his brother Isaac, under the firm name Watts Brothers, succeeded to the mercantile business founded by Daniel Overholtzer and conducted by Samuel Watts since 1851 in Belleville. The business, general merchandise, under their management has prospered and increased, both partners being able, energetic men of affairs. John Watts is also a director of the Farmer's National Bank of Belleville and interested in other lines of business activity, including the senior membership of the firm, Watts & Yoder, extensive grain dealers and millers of Belleville. He is a Republican in politics, but has never accepted public office, belongs to Belleville Lodge, No. 302, Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is a communicant of Belleville Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Watts is unmarried.

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The Ellis family herein recorded came to Lewistown from ELLIS Center county, Pennsylvania, and are probably descendants of the Welsh family of Ellis, founded in Pennsylvania by Rowland Ellis, of Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

(I) Alexander Ellis, father of John B. Ellis, of Lewistown, was born at Boalsburg, Center county, Pennsylvania, in 1816. He moved to Juniata county at an early day, came to Lewistown in 1881, and died 1885. He married Martha Basem, born in Juniata county in 1822, died in Lewistown in 1904. Children: Lemuel, Mary, Kate, William, Edward, Carrie, Rebecca, Stewart, and John B., and four who died young.

(II) John B., youngest son of Alexander and Martha Ellis, was born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, January 22, 1863. He attended public, common and normal schools, obtaining a good English education. At the age of eighteen years he moved to Lewistown with his parents and began learning the blacksmith's trade in a Lewistown shop. After working five years he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad as blacksmith, in December, 1886. He continued at the forge three





*John B. Ellis*



years, then was promoted to be night foreman, which position he now holds. He is a Democrat in politics, and has held the offices of school director and assessor of the first ward, the latter an office he yet holds. He is a member of the Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons; Lost Creek Lodge, No. 131, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and of the Methodist Episcopal church.

He married, October 16, 1884, Ida M. Stoner, born in Lewistown, January 31, 1864, only child of Andrew K. and Angeline (Maban) Stoner, he an early settler of Lewistown, where he died November 18, 1864, she surviving him until November 9, 1909. Children: 1. Mary Grace, born October 22, 1885; married Harry H. Shaw; children: Mary Grace, deceased, Harrison H. and Madeline. 2. Anna Gertrude, born April 6, 1889; married William D. Feather; children: William E., Helen Luella, Thomas Charles, deceased, and Robert David. 3. Robert Alexander, born September 15, 1897, residing at home.

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The Pannebakers were old residents of Port PANNEBAKER Royal, Pennsylvania, where Jonas Pannebaker died, leaving a large family.

(II) Philo, son of Jonas Pannebaker, was born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, 1830, died at Mifflin, Pennsylvania, about 1893. He learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed in different localities, finally settling in Mifflin, where most of his life was passed. He was a Republican in politics and both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married, in Juniata county, Susanna Hurl, born in that county in 1836, who survives him, residing with her daughters in Milroy, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. A daughter, died in infancy. 2. Robert, now living in Mifflin, a carpenter. 3. Philo, now living in Mifflin, a carpenter. 4. James Sellers, of whom further. 5. Edward, now living in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, a truck farmer. 6. Jennie, married James Ulsh and resides in Altoona, Pennsylvania. 7. John, now living in Mifflin, a printer. 8. Frances, now living in Milroy, Pennsylvania, unmarried. 9. Martin, died at Butler, Pennsylvania. 10. Holmes, now living in Lewistown. 11. Anna, married N. Baer and resides in Yeagertown, Pennsylvania.

(III) James Sellers, fourth child and third son of Philo and Susanna (Hurl) Pannebaker, was born in Juniata county, Pennsyl-

vania, January 26, 1862. He attended Mifflin county public schools and literally grew up to the carpenter's trade, having begun work with his father at an early age. On arriving at legal age in 1883 he located at Renovo, Pennsylvania, where he worked in the Pennsylvania railroad shops for three years, then with a lumber company until 1887, when he moved to Astor, Orange county, Florida, remaining three months. Returning to Pennsylvania he entered the employ of the Iroona Lumber Company in Clearfield county, becoming assistant foreman in charge of their millwright work and remaining with them twelve and a half years. In 1899 he located in Lewistown, where he built his own home and worked as a journeyman, then entered the employ of the Standard Steel Company, where he yet remains. He is a Republican in politics and both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church. He married, March 26, 1891, Louisa Leshner, born in Juniata county, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Geise) Leshner, both born in Northumberland county, after their marriage moving to Delaware township, Juniata county, where Mr. Leshner bought a farm on which he lived until his death. He was drafted during the civil war, but furnished a substitute. He was a Democrat in politics and both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. His wife survives him, still a resident of Juniata county.

The only child of James S. and Louisa (Leshner) Pannebaker is Gilson, born May 4, 1892, now an apprentice at the molder's trade. The family residence is at No. 333 Valley street, Lewistown, which Mr. Pannebaker erected in 1900.

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This family is of French ancestry, the founder, George LEOPOLD Leopold, coming to the United States from his native city, Paris, with his wife, a Miss Šwigert, of German descent. No record is found of their residence in this country or of their family, except of their son, George.

(II) George (2) Leopold was born in 1800 and made settlement in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, when a young unmarried man. He was a blacksmith by trade, but after his marriage bought a farm of about one hundred and fifty acres in Ferguson valley, which he improved and later sold. He then purchased a large farm in Oliver township. He later bought and moved to a farm in Granville town-



ship, but after a short residence there returned to his Oliver township farm, where he lived until his death in April, 1861. He was a prosperous farmer, a Democrat in politics and held several local offices. He married Anna E. Hannawalt, born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, in 1804, died in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, in 1880, at the home of her daughter, Susan. She was a sister of Rev. Joseph R. Hannawalt and a member of the Presbyterian church. Children: 1. Louis H., lived and died in Granville township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, a farmer. 2. Catherine, married Stuart McKee and died in Granville township. 3. Susan, married (first) Albert Ickes, (second) Amos Pennsypacker, and died in Philadelphia. 4. George Albert, of whom further. 5. Died in infancy.

(III) George Albert, son of George and Anna E. (Hannawalt) Leopold, was born in Oliver township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, June 27, 1848. He was educated in the public schools and Bucknell College, being a graduate of the latter institution, class of 1865. He chose the occupation of farming and purchased one hundred acres of the Granville township farm from the heirs of George Leopold, which he still owns. There was a rich vein of iron ore on the farm which he opened and worked out, employing for several years from twenty to thirty men. In 1898 he moved to Lewistown where he has lived practically retired ever since at the corner of Oak and Logan streets. He has real estate interests in the city and county, but is not actively interested in any business. He is a Democrat in politics, and has always taken an active interest in public affairs. In Granville township he was school director and collector of taxes, and in Lewistown was elected in 1909 a member of the borough council and in 1911 was chosen president of council, an office he now holds. He was one of the organizers and first vice-president of the fifth ward fire department, and for several years has been its financial secretary. He is a deacon and trustee of the Baptist church in Lewistown, of which his wife is also a member.

He married, in 1870, Camilla Catherine Kauffman, born in Oliver township, daughter of Hamilton Kauffman, formerly of Juniata county. Children: 1. Ada Irene, educated at Westchester Normal School, taught for seven years, then took a regular course as nurse at Trenton (New Jersey) Hospital, now a graduate nurse located at Lewistown and re-

siding with her parents. 2. Mary Luella, married William M. Snook, a pattern maker and resides in Lewistown. 3. William Lewis, graduate of Juniata College, Westchester Normal School, now principal of the Ralston street high school, Pittsburgh. 4. George Albert (2), now assistant principal of Wayne street high school, Lewistown; he married Gertrude Reid. 5. Harry, married Sarah Miller and resides in Lewistown, a machinist.

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The Harpers of Burnham, Pennsylvania, came from HARPER New Jersey, where John Harper settled in 1868. He was born in county Tyrone, Ireland, where he grew to manhood and married Jane Orr. In 1868 they came to the United States, settling first in Hoboken, New Jersey, going from thence to Hyburne in northern New Jersey, where he was connected with the iron industry. Later in life he moved to Philadelphia, settling in Wissahickon, where he engaged in mercantile life until his death, July 2, 1901, aged seventy-eight years. His widow, Jane, survived him until February 7, 1913, aged eighty years. Her mother, Mary (Watson) Orr, died in Ireland, aged over ninety years. Both John Harper and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and he was a Republican in politics. Children: Sarah Ann, David, John, Robert E., of whom further; Joseph, deceased; Andrew, Augustus, Samuel, William, Jane and Mary. At the time of her death, in February, 1913, Mrs. Jane (Orr) Harper had thirty-six grandchildren.

(II) Robert E., son of John and Jane (Orr) Harper, was born in county Tyrone, Ireland, August 26, 1861. When seven years of age he was brought to the United States by his parents, and in Hoboken and Hyburne he attended the public schools. When a young man he worked in the iron mines of northern New Jersey, continuing several years. He then moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where for thirty years he was a trusted employee of the Baldwin Locomotive Works. In 1902 he came to Burnham, Pennsylvania, entering the employ of the Standard Steel Works Company as foreman of the axle department. In 1905 he opened a store in Burnham, continuing in successful business until his death, July 4, 1911. He was thorough master of his trade and never failed in giving full satisfaction to his employers. Both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church of

Wissahickon, and on moving to Burnham brought their letters to the Methodist church there. In politics he was a Republican, but in his later years was a supporter of the Prohibition party. He never accepted public office, but found his greatest enjoyment in his home. He was highly respected by all who knew him and no man better deserved the good opinion of his neighbors.

He married, May 26, 1881, Mary A. Rittenhouse, born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 12, 1864, who survives him, a resident of Burnham. She is a daughter of John M. Rittenhouse, born in Germantown, Pennsylvania, January 22, 1840, now spending his declining years with his daughter, Mary A., in Burnham. He was for many years engaged in the tobacco business in Philadelphia, and for six years was a member of the Philadelphia police force under Stokeley.

He is a veteran of the civil war, serving from August 14, 1862, until June 20, 1865, in Company G, 119th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers. He married Catherine Street, born June 26, 1840, died in Wissahickon, June 6, 1897. Children: Mary A., of previous mention, widow of Robert E. Harper; Thomas; George W., deceased; Abraham; William, married Mary L. Renshaw, no children.

Children of Robert E. and Mary A. Harper: 1. John Mason, born February 17, 1882. 2. Robert E. (2), born November 25, 1883; married Lulu M. Hambright; two children: Roger E. and Robert P. 3. Catherine Street, born December 18, 1885; married Walter Farley; no children. 4. Rachel Mary, born September 18, 1889; married Clarence C. Gastrock; one child, Mary M. 5. Jane Orr, born September 29, 1891; married Uri A. Crissman; no children. 6. William Henry, born November 25, 1893. 7. Abraham, born December 23, 1895. 8. Sarah Ann, born September 8, 1897. 9. Mary Watson, born December 5, 1899. 10. Ruth Amelia, born February 20, 1902. 11. Matthew Simpson, born September 1, 1904.

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The McKees are of Scotch-Irish ancestry and date in McKEE Pennsylvania to the year 1738. The first settlement of the family was in Lancaster county, thence a branch settled in Cumberland county. Andrew McKee was the first of this branch to settle in Mifflin county, although Thomas McKee, who may have been

his father or uncle, warranted a large tract of land in the Juniata Valley in 1755, the land lying at the mouth of Mahantango creek and McKee's Half Falls. Andrew McKee warranted his land, containing one hundred and fifteen acres in what is now Granville township, December 9, 1784.

John Andrew McKee, late of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, was a son of Thomas R. and Martha (Robinson) McKee, pioneer settlers of Lewistown. Thomas R. and his brother, John McKee, were extensive land owners and operated several tanneries, doing a large business until his death, December 3, 1854, at the age of fifty-nine years. His wife Martha died in 1845, aged forty years. Children: John Andrew, William R. and Margaret, all deceased.

John Andrew McKee was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, July 2, 1836. He obtained a good education in the public schools, Lewistown Academy and a school at Shade Gap, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He chose the profession of law, studying under the able direction of Joseph Alexander. In April, 1859, Mr. McKee was admitted to practice at the Mifflin county bar, and until his death continued in active, successful practice. He was a strong Union man, was captain of militia and a member of the Logan Guards, and went with them to the front on President Lincoln's first call for troops, serving three months. The Logan Guards were the first troops to arrive at Harrisburg under the president's call, and all those reporting have the right of membership in the "First Defenders" organization. Mr. McKee was United States assessor of internal revenue, 1871 to 1873, otherwise the law was his chief concern. He was a learned lawyer and enjoyed a large practice in the county, state and federal courts. He was accurate, conscientious in all his business dealings, and was held in highest esteem by his brethren of the bar. He was a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church, although his early training had been Presbyterian. He was a prominent member of the Masonic order, belonging to Lewistown Lodge, No. 203, Free and Accepted Masons, and Lewistown Chapter, No. 26, Knights Templar. He also belonged to the "First Defenders" Association, and was interested in all that concerned the temporal or moral life of Lewistown. His long and useful life terminated June 10, 1904.





*John A. McLeet.*



John Andrew McKee married, March 4, 1862, Anna Maria McCord, born in Lewistown, November 28, 1838, who survives him in her seventy-fifth year, a resident of Lewistown, her lifelong home. She is an active, interested, devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal church; a charter member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, of which she was for several years president, and always an active worker. While Mrs. McKee was president of the local union, Lewistown voted "no license," and of all that band of devoted women who formed the first union as charter members, she is the only survivor. She is also one of the oldest living persons, born in Lewistown and now living in the borough. She is active and energetic and as deeply interested in all that pertains to the moral welfare of her community as of yore, when she was a leader. Her judgment and advice are valuable, and are sought for by the younger women, who are now leaders in the cause Mrs. McKee loves so well. She is the daughter of James and Mary (Willis) McCord, and granddaughter of Thomas and — (Hutchison) McCord, pioneer settlers of Mifflin county. James McCord was born in Mifflin county, May 25, 1793, and died 1873. He was engaged in the harness business in Lewistown for many years; was a Whig in politics and for many years a justice of the peace, and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife, Mary Willis, was born in Mifflin county in the year 1800, died in Lewistown in 1872, daughter of Isaiah and Susan (Elton) Willis, who came to Mifflin from Chester county, Pennsylvania; he was a successful farmer, large landowner and grain dealer at Strode's Mills. Children of James and Mary (Willis) McCord: Isaiah (2), Mary, Anna Maria, of previous mention, and James, all deceased, except Mrs. Anna Maria McKee, widow of John Andrew McKee.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. McKee: 1. Martha Willis, married Edwin Spanogle, son of Andrew (2) Spanogle (now living at the age of ninety-one years, 1913), a descendant of George Spanogle, who came from Germany prior to the revolution, settling in Baltimore, Maryland. Children of Edwin and Martha W. Spanogle: i. Mary Anna, a student at Goucher College, Baltimore. ii. John Andrew, a senior at Williamsport Seminary, class of 1913, Williamsport, Pennsylvania. iii. Martha Annie, residing at home. 2. William Lincoln, now residing in Beaver, Pennsylvania, connected with the Pennsylvania railroad at Pittsburgh.

Pennsylvania. He married Eliza Bruce and has children: Jane Stokes and Martha Willis.

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The name Brumbaugh is of German origin and is  
BRUMBAUGH found in both German and Swiss records with the  
“o” and “u” used interchangeably. There is a  
German history of the family which indicates with its Von and coats-  
of-arms that they were of the noble class and persons of consequence.  
Whenever the German ancestor executed deeds or important papers, the  
scribe usually wrote the name Broombaugh or Brombaugh, resulting  
in many names originally ending in “bach,” becoming “baugh” or  
“back.” Thus the name Brumbach has been so changed that descend-  
ants of the first settlers are found under the names Brounback, Brum-  
back, Brombach, Brombaugh and Brumbaugh.

The first record of the American ancestor of the branch herein re-  
corded is found in the “immigrant list” of those landing in Philadel-  
phia as follows: “Johannes Heinrich Brumbach, arrived at Philadel-  
phia, Pennsylvania, on the ship Neptune, Captain Waire, September  
30, 1754, from Rotterdam and last from Cowes.” There is no record  
that shows that he tarried long in Philadelphia, but proceeded with his  
family to a point in the Conecocheague district, north of Hagerstown, in  
Frederick county, Maryland, or to Franklin county, Pennsylvania, im-  
mediately adjoining on the north. There were four children—three  
born in Germany: Jacob, of whom further; Conrad, born 1735, died  
1791; Johannes and George.

(II) Jacob (“Jockel”) Brumbaugh, son of Johannes Heinrich Brum-  
bach, was born in Germany, November 27, 1734, died in Hopewell town-  
ship, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, August 13, 1816. Jacob and  
his brother George (called Yorrick) moved with the earliest settlers to  
Morrison's Cove, then in Bedford, now in Blair county, Pennsylvania,  
and located near the Rebecca Furnace property, occupying a large tract  
of land. The Indian outbreaks of 1778 and 1779 caused all the early  
settlers to leave that locality, the brothers returning to their homes in  
the Conecocheague district. After the Indian troubles ended they re-  
turned and occupied their lands in now Blair county. The first census  
of the United States, taken in 1790, locates Jacob Brumbough in Bed-  
ford county and enumerates his family. In 1791, a return shows he



was collector of taxes for Woodberry township, Huntingdon county. In 1794 he moved across the mountains into the Woodcock Valley, Huntingdon county. On August 4, 1800, he received a deed for two hundred and nineteen acres on the south side of Warrior Ridge, called "Timothy Meadows," and lived there continuously until his death, August 13, 1816. The old homestead farm is yet held in the family name. The name of his first wife is not known. His second wife, Elizabeth, died December 15, 1827, and is buried at Marklesburg, Pennsylvania. There are several opinions concerning the burial place of Jacob. Children of first wife: 1. John, born February 28, 1764, died February 28, 1848; married Mary Ulrich. 2. Margaret, born May 5, 1766, died August 1, 1820; married Nicholas Fouse. 3. Conrad, born 1768, died December 6, 1859; married (first) Mary Miller, (second) Catherine Markley. 4. Jacob, born July 15, 1769, died July 30, 1855; married Mary Miller. 5. Hannah, born October 27, 1775; married John Wineland, senior. Children of second wife: 6. Henry, born May 24, 1778, died August 29, 1859; married Elizabeth Folk. 7. George, of whom further. 8. Daniel, born August, 1783, died March 23, 1859; married Anna Bowers. 9. Catherine, born 1785; married Andrew Warner. 10. Samuel, born March 3, 1788, died May 29, 1875; married Catherine Oaks. 11. Ester, twin of Samuel, died September 13, 1872; married David Warner. 12. Mary, born August 26, 1791, died December 5, 1852; married John Matthew Garner. 13. David, born September 29, 1793, died November 19, 1880; married Barbara Bowers. 14. Susan, born March or August 25, 1795, died August 7, 1880; married John Markley.

(III) George, son of Jacob Brumbaugh and his second wife, Elizabeth, was born March 12, 1780, died August 6, 1849, and is buried with his wife in the family cemetery on the elevation beyond the orchard on the old homestead. Upon the death of each owner, the homestead farm passed from Jacob to George, from him to his son Jacob, who deeded it to his son Abraham W. and next to Irvin Brumbaugh, its present owner, who also cultivates it. George Brumbaugh married Maria Bowers, died December 15, 1857, two of whose sisters married brothers of George. The following record of children is made from a record written in the father's hand, the original being in the possession of the compiler of the Brumbaugh genealogy, recently pub-

lished: 1. Isaac, born April 26, 1802, died November 4, 1871. 2. Jacob, born July 4, 1806, died December 15, 1890. 3. John, of whom further. 4. David, born August 2, 1832, died young. 5. Samuel, twin of David, died young.

(IV) John, third son of George and Maria (Bowers) Brumbaugh, was born January 11, 1809, died May 25, 1896. He owned a farm in Penn township, Huntingdon county, on the Raystown branch of the Juniata river. He continued in active farming operations until aged sixty-five years, when he retired and thereafter lived with his son David B. He died at the "Frank farm," then owned by David B., and is buried in the Brumbaugh cemetery on the nearby original homestead. He was a deacon and later a minister of the Church of the Brethren, of which his wife and all his children were active members. He was an inveterate smoker, until he reached the age of seventy years, when he decided to stop the use of tobacco. It was a hard struggle, but he said, "I will die rather than be overcome by it." During the remaining seventeen years of his life he totally abstained from the weed. This incident gives some idea of the firm, determined character of the man. He married, April 6, 1830, Catherine Boyer, born May 7, 1809, daughter of Henry and Catherine (Roberts) Boyer, granddaughter of Abraham Boyer and sister of Rachel Boyer, wife of Jacob, a brother of John Brumbaugh. Children: Benjamin, born February 9, 1831, died June 14, 1906, married Elizabeth Snowberger Bechtel; David Boyer, born October 29, 1832, died October 15, 1908, married Susan Snowberger Bechtel; George (q. v.); Henry Boyer, of whom further; Isaac, born January 7, 1838, married Priscilla Elsie Stever; John Boyer, March 14, 1848, married Eleanor Jane Van Dyke. Of all the friends of Juniata College in the early years he was one of the most faithful and untiring. He was treasurer of the college until 1880, when he resigned and has served continuously as trustee. Also for years taught the class in the "Life of Christ" in the Bible department of the college. His wife has been a co-worker in church, Sunday school and temperance work, both rendering most efficient service.

(V) Henry Boyer, son of John and Catherine (Boyer) Brumbaugh, was born in Penn township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, April 1, 1836. He spent his early days on the farm along the Raystown

branch of the Juniata river and obtained his early education in the public school. He then attended Williamsburg Academy, also took courses at Cassville Seminary; finally entering Juniata College where he studied Greek and other advanced branches of college work. He was baptized into the Church of the Brethren, June 15, 1856, was called to the ministry of that church, June 24, 1864, and preached his first sermon from John, II chapter, 25th verse, on August 14, 1864. Prior to actively entering the ministry he taught in the public schools of Huntingdon county and has also been engaged in farming. In 1889 he was ordained an elder and since that date has been in charge of the Huntingdon Church of the Brethren. In 1869 he and his brother, John Boyer Brumbaugh, were led to leave the farm and go to "town" to begin the publication of a religious paper, along certain distinct lines, for which they and their advisers felt there was a distinct need. January 1, 1870, the first number of the *Pilgrim* appeared. This was an eight-page weekly, edited and published by Henry B. and John B. Brumbaugh, with Elder George Brumbaugh (brother) as associate editor. The office was located at James Creek, Pennsylvania; the subscription price, one dollar yearly. At the beginning of the second year the paper was enlarged to sixteen pages and the price raised to one dollar and twenty-five cents. In the fall of 1874, the office was moved to Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, and located in a large brick building, erected by Henry Boyer Brumbaugh at Fourteenth and Washington streets. This building was also his family home and became the "Chapel" for little Huntingdon church, chapel and home for the Brethren's Normal and Collegiate Institute and home for the *Pilgrim*. As the *Pilgrim* prospered, other church and Sunday school papers were started by the Brumbaugh brothers by and with the advice of the "Brethren" and on October 31, 1876, the *Pilgrim* was consolidated with *The Primitive Christian*, published at Meyersdale, Pennsylvania, which resulted in the removal of the office of publication to Huntingdon and the change of the paper's name to that of *The Primitive Christian and Pilgrim*, and the firm name of the publishers to Quinter & Brumbaugh Brothers. Under this head and title the paper prospered until June 19, 1883, when it was consolidated with *The Brethren at Work*, under the title of *The Gospel Messenger*, and the offices of publication at Mount Morris, Illinois, and Huntingdon, Pennsylvania,

with Henry Boyer Brumbaugh as eastern editor. This consolidation of publishing interests led to the formation of the present large Brethren Publishing House at Elgin, Illinois, which, among its extensive church publishing interests, continues the weekly issue of the *Messenger* with Henry Boyer Brumbaugh as one of its three corresponding editors. Thus his editorial career, begun in 1870, has been continuous until the present time.

The history of the Brumbaughs is also the history of Juniata College. During the early years the Brethren church was opposed to education, believing it tended to "worldly mindedness," but later a strong sentiment grew up in favor of a liberal education and several schools were started in different places under church auspices. In March, 1876, John Boyer, Elder Henry Boyer and Dr. Andrew Boelus Brumbaugh (the latter a cousin of the brothers) held a conference that resulted in the establishment of a "Normal College," which was opened in the "Pilgrim" building owned by Henry Boyer Brumbaugh, of which mention has been previously made. Jacob M. Zuck was the first teacher, and on April 17, 1876, school was opened with three students in attendance; by the close of the term seventeen were enrolled and at the opening of the succeeding fall term the original room was too small to accommodate the applicants for admission. From this small beginning sprang the now prosperous Juniata College, an institution that now enrolls over four hundred students yearly; has a faculty of twenty-two teachers and six regular departments: the College; the Academy; the School of Education; the Bible School; the Music School; and the Business School. After the death of Elder James Quinter, who was the first president of the school, Elder Henry Boyer Brumbaugh succeeded him and in turn was succeeded by Dr. Martin Grove Brumbaugh, now city superintendent of public instruction in Philadelphia. Brumbaughs have always served on the board of trustees, have been liberal supporters and the present president is a son of Henry Boyer Brumbaugh, one of the original founders.

Henry Boyer Brumbaugh's connection with the Huntingdon Church of the Brethren has been even longer continued and valuable. The beginning of this congregation was in a room sixteen by sixty feet in the same brick building that sheltered the *Pilgrim* in its earlier days and in which the little normal school was started that grew into



Juniata College. When the church was started in 1874 there were but four members of that faith in the town: Dr. Andrew B. Brumbaugh, his wife, Andrew Denizer and wife. The church room was dedicated June 20, 1875. When the beautiful stone church erected upon the college campus was dedicated, December 11, 1910 (Dr. Martin Grove Brumbaugh preaching the dedicatory sermon), seven hundred and twenty-four members had been baptized, thirty men had been called to the ministry and eleven missionaries had been sent out to labor in foreign fields, and Juniata College established as the direct result of the work of this congregation. Since 1888 the church has been under the care of Henry Boyer Brumbaugh, who has also been connected with it from its organization. He has also been dean of the Bible School of Juniata College since its foundation and in 1895 spent six months abroad, traveling principally in Bible lands. He has been president of the college board of trustees since organization and its financial supporter at critical times in the life of the school and at other times has more than once relieved embarrassment and given the school fresh impetus that has carried it past the danger point. He has also given a great deal of his time to work in the class room, all of which has been done without even the hope of fee or reward. He is vice-president of Standing Stone National Bank of Huntingdon and as a wise financier has proved of great value to that institution. Starting life a farmer boy he has been farmer, teacher, preacher, printer, editor and college president. All the things he has done have been well done and now as a man of mature judgment, wise counsel and philanthropic heart he is held in the highest esteem by those who have learned to know and to love him. His labor has been abundant and his reward is sure. In political faith he is a Republican.

He married, September 20, 1860, Susan Fink Peightal, born October 1, 1842, died January 22, 1904, also a faithful member of the Church of the Brethren and is buried in Riverview cemetery at Huntingdon. She was the daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Fink) Peightal (original name Beightel). Children: Hazel, born October 31, 1863, died November 11 following; Isaac Harvey, of further mention.

(VI) Isaac Harvey, only son of Henry Boyer and Susan Fink (Peightal) Brumbaugh, was born in Penn township, March 10, 1870.

His early education was obtained in the public schools, after which he entered the Normal English course at Juniata College, whence he was graduated in 1886, continuing advanced work at the college until 1889, when he entered Haverford College, whence he was graduated A. B., class of 1892. In September, 1892, he began teaching in Juniata College as professor of ancient languages, continuing to the present time, as professor of Latin in addition to his administrative work. This period of teaching has been interrupted by courses of study at Harvard University (1894-1895), being graduated A. B. 1895. In 1898 and 1899 he was a student in the Graduate School of Harvard, there earning his degree of A. M. by special study in the classics. The summer of 1896 was spent in the study of pedagogy at the University of Jena, Germany. In 1896 he was called to Juniata College as acting president. In May, 1911, he was chosen by the trustees as president, which honorable position he now holds. Under his administration the college has increased its endowment funds, making possible the strengthening of the faculty, and so has gained a name for good, thorough work, coupled with a reputation for careful general training and discipline. The alumni are, in ever widening circles, loyally exemplifying its good name through their successful lives and earnest achievement.

Professor Brumbaugh was elected to the ministry of the Church of the Brethren in 1904 and is frequently engaged in pulpit work. He is a trustee of the J. C. Blair Memorial Hospital and a member of the National Educational Association, as well as of other societies of learning. In political faith he is a Republican.

He married, April 26, 1900, Amelia Henrietta Johnson, born January 28, 1874, daughter of Samuel Martin and Ellen (Bulfinch) Johnson, of Cambridge, Massachusetts. Children: Barbara, born October 24, 1901; Catherine Bulfinch, November 22, 1902; Marion Johnson, March 2, 1907; Henry Martin, November 11, 1912.

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(V) George Brumbaugh, third son of John Brumbaugh (q. v.), and Catherine (Boyer) Brumbaugh, was born in Penn township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, February 11, 1834, died August 18, 1899. He was educated in the public school and spent one year as a student at

Williamsburg, Blair county, Pennsylvania. He taught for seven or eight years in the public schools of Pennsylvania, but after his marriage engaged for a time in farming. Later he moved to Grafton, Huntingdon county, where he engaged in the manufacture of wagons and carriages, noted for their excellence throughout the Woodcock Valley. He was baptized into the Church of the Brethren in 1852, elected to its ministry and ordained elder in April, 1872. He was one of the promoters and assistant editors of the *Pilgrim*, being associated with his brothers, Henry Boyer and John Boyer Brumbaugh, who at first had the office of the paper at James Creek, but later moved to Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. He was for many years an able and regular contributor to the *Pilgrim* and to its successors. He served the James Creek congregation of the Brethren church as minister and elder, succeeding his uncle, Isaac Brumbaugh, in that office. His useful life closed at the age of sixty-five years.

He married, June 6, 1859, Fannie Elizabeth Myers, born near McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Shellenberger) Myers; she survives her husband and resides at Kalamazoo, Michigan. Children: 1. Otis Myers, of whom further. 2. Samuel Oscar, M. D., born July 30, 1862; graduate of University of Pennsylvania and an eminent physician of Huntingdon, Pennsylvania; he married Agnes (Mullen) Harley and has a daughter, Hazel T., born October 3, 1898. 3. Ella, born December 17, 1865, died December 18, following. 4. Elma Alice, born April 16, 1867; married John McLaughlin Kirkwood and resides in Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania; children: Baird, George, Catherine and John. 5. Anna Pearl, born February 18, 1872; married Philip Zinn, a merchant, and resides at Kalamazoo, Michigan; child: Robert.

(VI) Otis Myers, eldest son of George and Fannie Elizabeth (Myers) Brumbaugh, was born at Grafton, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, May 27, 1860. He was educated in the public schools and at Juniata College, attending the latter institution two years. He then taught school one term and after his marriage engaged in farming at Grafton for two years, then moved to Huntingdon, where he engaged in mercantile life successfully until 1908, as a member of the firm of Brumbaugh & Rupert. He then accepted an appointment as steward and superintendent of grounds at Juniata College, a position he now

holds. He is a member of the Church of the Brethren and in political faith is a Republican. He married, December 15, 1881, Flora Sarah Garver, born January 30, 1860, in Germany valley, Huntingdon county, daughter of George and Annie (Bare) Garver and granddaughter of John and Sarah (Eby) Garver.

Annie (Bare) Garver was born in Sinking Valley, Huntingdon county; her husband in Huntingdon county. After their marriage he bought a large farm in Hill valley on which they resided until late in life, when they moved to Huntingdon; Mr. Garver dying January 14, 1913. They were members of the Church of the Brethren, which as deacon he served forty years, also as trustee and treasurer. Children of George and Annie (Bare) Garver: Benjamin Franklin, now a farmer near Shirleysburg; Flora Sarah, of previous mention, married Otis Myers Brumbaugh; Laura twin of Flora S., married James L. Rupert and resides in Huntingdon; Senie, married Samuel Shue and resides in York, Pennsylvania; Lloyd, now a farmer on the old Garver homestead.

(VII) Cloy Garver, only child of Otis Myers and Flora Sarah (Garver) Brumbaugh, was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, February 4, 1884. He prepared in the public schools and then entered Juniata College, whence he was graduated, class of 1901. He entered the University of Pennsylvania, spending two years in the department of biology and chemistry, then became a student in the medical department, whence he was graduated M. D., class of 1907. After graduation he spent one year as resident physician in Lancaster General Hospital and in 1908 located in Huntingdon, where he is well established in general practice. Dr. Brumbaugh is physician to the Juniata Valley Home for Orphan Children; is a member of the Pennsylvania state and county medical societies and the author of several professional papers published in the medical journals. He is well fitted by nature, education and training for his profession and has already gained a satisfactory practice in his native city. He is a member of the Church of the Brethren; his wife belonging to the Methodist Episcopal church. In politics the doctor is a Republican.

He married, May 23, 1912, Mabel Beaver, born in Huntingdon, daughter of John G. and Ada (Reiter) Beaver.





Cloy G. Brumbaugh M.D.



This family is of German descent, the first ESTERLINE ancestor in this country having probably been George Esterline, who at an early day emigrated from the fatherland and settled on a farm in York county, Pennsylvania. The remainder of his life was passed in this part of the country, where his descendants have represented the best portion of the community and have been prosperous and honored for generations.

(I) Jacob Esterline, who seems to have been one of the direct descendants of the immigrant, George Esterline, though the immediate connection has not been recorded, was a native of Pennsylvania, living and dying in Juniata county. He owned a considerable amount of land in the county, which he cultivated, following the vocation of farming all his life. He seems to have been a man of quiet and peaceful disposition, taking part in no war or military enterprise, who passed his days industriously and honorably in the care of his family and domestic affairs. Among his children were: Jacob, of further mention; Benjamin, William, Catherine, who married a Mr. Landis, and others whose names have not been recorded.

(II) Jacob Esterline, son of Jacob Esterline above mentioned, was born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in the year 1821; he passed his early life in this county where he resided until the time of his marriage, working at the trade of shoemaking. After his marriage he removed to Granville township, Mifflin county, where he continued his calling, which he followed until his death in the year 1856. In politics he was a Democrat; and he won the respect of the community by his upright and industrious life, rearing and providing for a large family of children. His wife, who survived him many years and died in 1904, was a Miss Mariah Hockenbrought, born in 1823, at Little York, Pennsylvania. She was the daughter of George Hockenbrought, a native of Germany, where he married before coming to America. Upon arriving in this country Mr. and Mrs. Hockenbrought settled at Little York, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Hockenbrought became a farmer and followed this calling for a considerable length of time before he finally removed to Juniata county. Here he bought a farm of one hundred acres in extent, which he cultivated and where the family continued to live until his death. There were eight children in the family, seven sons and a daughter: William, a prisoner at

Andersonville during the civil war, still survives; John; Henry, a soldier, died in the civil war; Daniel, living, was a prisoner in Andersonville prison; George, a farmer; Jacob, died in service; Mariah, became the wife of Jacob Esterline. The family were all members of the German Reformed church. Mr. and Mrs. Esterline had ten children: William, unmarried, served in Company B, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers, during the civil war, in which he died; David, deceased, served in the same company as his brother during the war, and married Anna Crawford, having lived in Mifflin county; Jacob C., of further mention; Anna, married A. J. Reed, of the state of Indiana, where he still resides, she being now deceased; Benjamin, died unmarried; George, married Martha Crawford, and lives in Altoona, his wife being deceased; Louisa, died young; Charles, married and removed to Indiana; Mariah, married to Jesse Kelley, a railroad man at Altoona; Samuel, a farmer, married Miss Trout, and lives in Juniata county.

(III) Jacob C. Esterline, son of Jacob and Mariah (Hockenbrought) Esterline, was born in Granville township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, on September 4, 1846. He received his education in the district schools of Granville township, and became a soldier during the war between the states. He enlisted in July, 1863, in Company E, Twentieth Pennsylvania Cavalry, being discharged in January, 1864. He again enlisted in March, 1865, in Company E, Eighty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and received his honorable discharge August 6, 1865. It was not his fortune to take part in any active engagement during the time of his service. After the close of the war Mr. Esterline engaged in railroading and, besides other properties of which he is possessed, owns a farm of one hundred and seventy acres in extent in Granville township. He is a Democrat in politics; and he and his wife are both members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

On January 2, 1868, after his enlistment as a soldier, Mr. Esterline was married to Miss Ella Reed, daughter of John S. and Elizabeth (Hopper) Reed. She died February 16, 1886, having been the mother of six children: Edward, born April 29, 1869, married Miss Emma Seager; George, born March 4, 1871, married Maggie Rittenhouse; Maud May, born August 6, 1873, married William Boyle; Minerva,



born August 7, 1875, married Harry Rice, a motorman of Altoona, Pennsylvania; Bessie Pearl, born January 3, 1878, married a Mr. Merrel, and lives in Altoona; Effie Dean, unmarried, a twin sister of Bessie Pearl. After the death of his first wife, Mr. Esterline married, second, on August 25, 1887, Miss Millie McCord, daughter of Thomas and Mary Ann (Decker) McCord; and by this marriage has one child, a son, John Newton, born May 13, 1893.

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William A. Harlan, of McCoysville, Pennsylvania, HARLAN is of distinctly English extraction. The first Harlan to dare the dangers of crossing the Atlantic from England to America, and the subsequent dangers of the wilderness of Pennsylvania with its savage inhabitants, both men and beasts, came over about 1792, or possibly a few years earlier. He was accompanied by four brothers, all of whom made their way to Pennsylvania and adjoining states, two of whom settled in Chester county, Pennsylvania. They took unto themselves wives, reared families, and assisted in building up that section of the Union. They were farmers by preference, taking out warrants, clearing and improving the land, building thereon good log houses, and making homes for themselves and families. One or more of the Harlan brothers combined other vocations with that of farming, thus giving to the new country a few of the advantages of a more densely populated section.

(I) John Harlan was descended from the immigrant Harlan, who located in Chester county, Pennsylvania. With the ever ready pioneer spirit, that seemed to enter so largely into the make-up of the Americans of those days, his father moved into Maryland, and there John Harlan was born. He married Margaret Porter, a descendant of the Porter family that has made history for the United States. Through the dual occupation of farmer and miller, combined with that of millwright, he accumulated a nice property. At the age of seventy he moved from Maryland to Juniata county, Pennsylvania, and died there at the age of eighty. His wife died at the age of eighty-four. They had one child, Stephen Porter, of whom further.

(II) Stephen Porter Harlan, son of John and Margaret (Porter) Harlan, was born July 4, 1823, in Maryland. He married Sarah Hanna, born February 24, 1826, in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania,

a daughter of James and Sarah (Ales) Hanna, old residents of that section. After his marriage he lived sixteen years in Maryland, and then moved to Juniata county, Pennsylvania, on land where his grandfather Harlan had taken out warrant many years previous. At one time the place comprised many hundred acres, but has been divided and subdivided many times since. Stephen Porter Harlan moved to the Harlan place in 1862 and lived there until his death, February 7, 1890; his wife dying June 14, 1892. He was a Democrat, voting the straight ticket, but never worked actively for it. He and his wife were members of the Baptist church. Children: 1. Mary Alice, born March 3, 1847; married Alec Anderson, and lives in Tuscarora township, Juniata county. 2. James Albert, born December 17, 1848, a contractor in New Mexico. 3. John Franklin, born July 8, 1852, a carpenter and mason; died in Tuscarora township. 4. Stephen Robert, born May 12, 1854, a farmer in New Mexico. 5. William Andrew, of whom further. 6. George Marion, born March 2, 1859, a carpenter in New Mexico. 7. Ida Matilda, born October 10, 1860; widow of Boyd Hart, of Tuscarora township. 8. Edie E., born January 18, 1863, died in infancy. 9. Maggie R., twin of above, born January 18, 1863, died in infancy. 10. Lilly Bertie, born September 27, 1867, died in infancy. 11. David E., born October 17, 1871, and who died in infancy.

(III) William Andrew Harlan, son of Stephen Porter and Sarah (Hanna) Harlan, was born in Maryland, April 1, 1856; married August 11, 1883, Lizzie Hart, born in Juniata county, a daughter of William and Matilda Hart. She died July 31, 1900. William A. Harlan was reared on his father's farm and educated in the common schools. He engaged in farming, and with his brother, Stephen Robert, bought the interest of the other heirs in his father's estate. Three years later he purchased the interest of his brother, the farm at that time containing two hundred and eight acres. He does a successful general farming, and is regarded as one of the progressive agriculturists of his township. He is a Democrat, but has never held nor aspired to office. Children: 1. Iva, born October 12, 1885; at home with her father. 2. William Albert, died in infancy. 3. Lee, born February 19, 1889, a farmer in Idaho. 4. James Harry, born January 29, 1896.

(The Hanna Line).

James Hanna, grandfather of William Andrew Harlan on the distaff side, was an old and long time resident of Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He married Sarah Ales, like himself a member of an old Pennsylvania family. He was a farmer by vocation, but was also a good mechanic as well and did much in that line. He served as justice of peace for years, and was known for the justness of his rulings. He was a staunch Democrat until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he espoused the principles of the Republican party and advocated them as strongly as he formerly had those of Democracy, and was always active in politics. Both he and his wife were members of the Baptist church. Children: 1. Rebecca, married Elisha Kirk, and died in Delaware. 2. Martha, married Daniel Carter; died in the state of Washington. 3. Sarah, born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania; married Stephen Porter Harlan; died June 14, 1892; children (see Harlan II). 4. Matilda, married Edward Tollenger; she died in Philadelphia in 1911. 5. Edith, married Mr. Stetler, and died in Oregon. 6. John, died in Cissel county, Maryland. 7. Andrew, died in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania.

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The Hoffmans of Lewistown, herein recorded, HOFFMAN descend from Valentine Hoffman, who was born in Germany, came to Pennsylvania with his wife, settling in the town of Lancaster, where he is recorded in the early records as a "smith," which in his case meant "a maker of edge tools." He became a large landowner in Lancaster borough, where Hoffman's Run (now Water street), a small brook, running through his property, was named for him. He had three sons and a daughter.

(II) Benjamin, one of the three sons of Valentine Hoffman, the emigrant, was a resident of Lancaster all his life and associated with his father in farming and smithing. He married Margaret, daughter of Jacob and Mary Nauman, who were old residents of Lancaster. He was a tinner by trade and must have been a revolutionary soldier, as after his death his widow received a patent for a tract of land granted for his military service.

(III) William Nauman, son of Benjamin and Margaret (Nauman) Hoffman, was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, February 9.

1836, and is now a resident of Lewistown, Pennsylvania. He grew to manhood in Lancaster and was educated in the public schools. When a young man he settled in Lewistown, having started for the West but getting no farther than Lewistown, where he married and has always since resided. He learned the trade of cabinetmaker, following that trade for many years. Later in life he became a grocer, having a store on Market street. He has now for several years lived a retired life, making his home with his son, Charles R. Hoffman. He was an active Republican in his younger years and served on the police force; was coroner and also collector of taxes at different periods. He enlisted in Company A, Thirty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving a few months as emergency man under two enlistments. He was at Antietam among the troops held in reserve, and at Gettysburg, where he was in the detail to bury the dead and clear up the battlefield. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is the oldest Odd Fellow in Lewistown, both in actual age and in point of years of membership.

He married Leah Jane Nichols, born in York county, Pennsylvania, April 14, 1836, married in Lewistown, where her parents settled about 1840. She is a daughter of James and Mary (Blymeyer) Nichols, of Lewisberry, York county, Pennsylvania, but later of Lewistown, coming by boat on the old Pennsylvania canal. He was a potter by trade and in Lewistown served for many years as justice of the peace. Children of James Nichols: Elizabeth, married Andrew McCoy, both deceased; Margaret, married Peter Ort, a farmer, and is now living in Tyrone, Pennsylvania, aged over eighty years; Catherine, married Mr. DeVault and resides in Lewistown; Leah Jane, married William N. Hoffman and resides in Lewistown, a member of the Lutheran church; William, deceased; Ann, married Roseberry Reese; Susan, died in infancy; Ellen, married John Riley and resides in Tyrone, Pennsylvania. Children of William N. and Leah Jane Hoffman: Clayton, died in infancy; Andrew McCoy, died in infancy; James N. (q. v.); William H., resides in the south, a traveling salesman, married Emma Cooper; Margaret, died in infancy; Peter, twin of Margaret, died aged thirteen years; Charles Roseberry, of whom further.

(IV) Charles Roseberry, youngest child of William N. and Leah





*C. P. Hoffman.*



Jane (Nichols) Hoffman, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, August 16, 1874. He was educated in the public schools, and Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, New York; was a graduate of the latter institution in 1892. He began business life as a clerk. In 1900 he entered the United States mail service as carrier in the Lewistown office, a position he has filled continuously with the exception of four months in 1907. During this period of four months he was engaged in the erection of a bakery and establishing the business, which has proved very successful. In 1912 the business outgrew its original quarters and was enlarged, with store in front, and ovens with a capacity of ten thousand loaves daily, in the rear.

Mr. Hoffman is a Republican in politics and both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. He is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America. He married, October 11, 1898, Ida E., born in Lewistown, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth (Killian) Montgomery; she was born in Newville, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania; he is now deceased. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman: Leah Jane and Robert Nauman.

(IV) James Nichols Hoffman, third son of William Nauman Hoffman (q. v.) and Leah Jane (Nichols) Hoffman, was born in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, November 19, 1861. He was educated in the public schools and began business life as an employee of the Lewistown Foundry, continuing six months. The foundry then closing down he returned to school. On February 18, 1879, he began his long career with the Pennsylvania railroad, first as messenger boy, working the first year without salary. On December 1, 1880, he was promoted to scale clerk, his work as messenger having impressed his employer so favorably that he was thus promoted and kept in line for future advancement. On November 28, 1885, he was appointed scale agent at the Lewistown Junction, continuing there until January 1, 1886, when he was promoted night train dispatcher. On November 1, 1900, he was appointed day man, but holding the same position and rank. On October 1, 1902, he was promoted assistant day yard master and on March 17, 1908, was advanced to the position of yard master on night duty, a position he now holds. All these positions have been held in connection with the Lewistown Junction and yards and he has his residence at Lewistown. His services have been continuous since

February, 1879, and his advancement from each post of duty to a more responsible one proves the faithfulness and attests the high esteem in which he is held by the railroad officials. In September, 1886, Mr. Hoffman became a partner with his father and brother in the retail grocery business, opening a store on Market street, Lewistown, later moving to the corner of Brown and Market streets on the site of the present building of the Lewistown Trust Company. They continued in business there until about 1901, when their store was destroyed by fire and was not resumed.

He is a Republican in politics, has served as election board official and always has been interested in public affairs. He is a member of the Knights of Malta and belongs to the Veteran Association of the Middle Division of Pennsylvania Railroad Employees, also to the Relief Department of that association. Both he and his wife are members of the Lutheran church. He married, November 19, 1889, Edith Mayes, daughter of William and Sarah Ann (Switzer) Mayes, of Mayes Bridge, near Lewistown; her father is a farmer. Child: James Mayes Hoffman. The family home is at No. 119 West Third street, which Mr. Hoffman had built to his order.

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One of the best known and most respected families in WHITE Juniata Valley, Pennsylvania, is that of the Whites. For many generations they have been located in Pennsylvania, where they have added their quota to the material wealth and the moral upbuilding of the state. The family is of English origin, the immigrant White coming over to America a hundred years before the revolutionary war. Many of the name have defended the country in every war that it has had, from the one with the French to the Spanish-American, and they are widely scattered over the United States, there not being a state that has not one or more families of Whites within their borders. Many have occupied and do occupy high places in the councils of the nation, while others in a quiet way aid it by being good, law-abiding citizens on whom it can depend in time of need. Robert White, the immigrant, landed in Massachusetts in 1650-52. He was a young man of prepossessing appearance and a fine education for those times. He settled near Salem, later wandered into Connecticut, where he married, had a numerous family, lived and died.



While he was a subject of England he soon saw the necessity of better laws for the government of the English crown possessions, and often spoke of it publicly. He imbued his sons and his sons' sons with the idea of liberty of thought and the freedom of speech. In dying he left a legacy of a well-spent life to his children, which was of greater importance than wealth, though he had accumulated a fine property before he had reached the age of fifty.

(I) Samuel Crawford White, a descendant of Robert White, was born in Adams county, Pennsylvania, where his family had come from Connecticut in the early days. He was reared on a farm in this county, and became one of its best known citizens. During the war of 1812 he was a commissioned officer from Adams county. He was captured by the British and held as prisoner for some time. Eventually escaping or being released, he again entered the American army, but peace was made between the two belligerent nations and he returned home to again resume the tranquil vocations of life. Later he moved from Adams county to Perry county, Pennsylvania, and engaged in the lumber business at Baileys. He was successful in his undertaking and amassed wealth. In 1854 he moved to Juniata township and settled in Tuscarora, where he lived, much honored by his neighbors, until his death at the age of eighty-three. He was a prominent Democrat, active at all times in the interest of his party, and was once a candidate for legislative honors from Perry county. Both he and his wife were members of the Reformed church, and were generous and zealous in their support of it. He married Margaret Armstrong, a beautiful young woman, daughter of Robert Armstrong, an influential and wealthy landed proprietor of Armstrong county, named for the family. Margaret was born in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, and there grew up with all the advantages that were given to a young lady of wealth and high social standing of that day. She was a dominating figure in the life of her brilliant husband, aiding and supplementing his efforts in every way. She died at the age of seventy-seven, having lived a useful life. Among their children was William A., of whom further.

(II) William A. White, son of Samuel Crawford and Margaret (Armstrong) White, was born April 2, 1830, in Adams county, Pennsylvania. Later when his parents moved to Perry county he attended school, and when at a still later date they moved to Juniata county, he

finished his education in Tuscarora. He remained at the homestead, and after the death of his father he purchased the interests of the other heirs in the two hundred and sixteen acres of land that comprised it, and lived there until to-day (1913), having reached the venerable age of eighty-three. During these years he has commanded the respect, admiration and love of all those who know him. He has always been a staunch Democrat, voting with and working for the party, and has held many township offices. Both he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church. He married Mary Mairs, born in Tuscarora township, and died September 15, 1882, a daughter of Thomas and Matilda (Smith) Mairs, both of whom were born in Ireland. Thomas Mairs and Matilda Smith came with their respective families to the United States while yet young. They met and married in Pennsylvania, and after marriage located about two miles from East Waterford, Pennsylvania, where he became a farmer and landowner, one of the most prosperous men in that section of the state, and one of its progressive citizens. They were of the Presbyterian faith, having been so in Ireland. He died rather young, but she lived unmarried, faithful to his memory, dying after she was eighty. They were the parents of eight children:

1. Silas, a valiant soldier in the civil war, and met a gallant death at the battle of Seven Pines.
2. Hugh, a farmer and stock breeder in Wayne county, Ohio.
3. Mary, born in Tuscarora township, died September 15, 1882; married William A. White.
4. James, makes his home in Michigan.
5. Margaret, married Neal McCoy Stewart, of McCoysville, Pennsylvania.

The children of William A. and Mary (Mairs) White are:

1. Samuel, drowned, aged twenty.
2. Died unnamed, in infancy.
3. Adella, married J. S. Magill, of Huntingdon county.
4. Jennie, married Frank Felger, a grain dealer in Big Graff, Ohio.
5. Silas M., a farmer and grain dealer in Burbank, Ohio.
6. John Magill, of whom further.
7. Bruce, an employee of the Pennsylvania railroad, at Pitcairn, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania.
8. Died in infancy.

(III) John Magill White, son of William A. and Mary (Mairs) White, was born June 28, 1871, in Tuscarora township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania. He was reared in the free, open life of the farm, and educated in the public schools of the township. For some time before

his marriage he was engaged in general farm work; after marriage he farmed on the White homestead for a year. At the end of twelve months he moved to Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, and became an employee of the Tuscarora Valley railroad. During the time of his employment with the railroad he gradually became interested in the lumber business, and in 1906 he resigned from the railway and gave up other enterprises to devote his time entirely to lumbering. He began operating on a large scale in Lock and Tuscarora townships and in Huntingdon county. At the present time (1913) he is the owner of one mill and uses the output of two others, which products go largely to the Pennsylvania road and many points in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. He has rapidly established a reputation for bold business transactions, in which he has been eminently successful. He votes the Democratic ticket, works for the party and has held township offices with credit to himself and the satisfaction of his constituency. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

He married, April 3, 1895, Anna L. Marshall, born in Juniata county, daughter of Henry and Catherine Marshall, who were old settlers in Perry county, moving from thence to Juniata county. Children: 1. Clarence. 2. Wellington, died in infancy. 3. Gilbert. 4. Alvie.

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The Page family of Millerstown, herein recorded, descends  
PAGE from Christian Page, born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania,  
a wagon maker of West Perry township, where he died.  
He married Mary Diffenderfer, born in Juniata county, both of German descent and both members of the Mennonite church. Christian Page was a Democrat in politics. Children: Emanuel, of whom further; Debias, Christian (2), Delilah, and Mary.

(II) Emanuel, son of Christian and Mary (Diffenderfer) Page, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, in 1835, died in Snyder county, March 7, 1903. He was a lifelong farmer of Snyder county, a member of the Brethren church, and in politics a Democrat, holding to his church and party with all the tenacity and faithfulness of an intense nature. He married (first) Elizabeth Cameron, born in Juniata county, in 1835, died in West Perry township, Snyder county, December 2, 1866.

daughter of Robert Cameron, who came from Ireland when a young man, took up land near New Bloomfield, Perry county, and there engaged in farming until his death. He was twice married—Elizabeth (of previous mention), William, who died in the Union army, and Robert (2), being children of the first wife. Children of Emanuel Page by first wife:

1. Banks W., of whom further below; Lizzie, died at the age of one year; Lewis, died aged nine years. He married (second) the widow of Michael Shelley, and (third) Malinda Merhood, who bore a daughter Edna, married Charles E. Shirk, and now resides in Philadelphia.

(III) Banks W., only living son of Emanuel Page and his first wife, Elizabeth Cameron, was born in Fayette township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, September 1, 1855. He attended the school kept in the old log school house in West Perry township, Snyder county, Pennsylvania, and until seventeen years of age worked at the home farm. At that age he began working at a tannery at Evendale, Pennsylvania, continuing seven years. About 1879 he returned to farming, working in Juniata county three years. Later about 1892 he engaged in the lumber business in the same county, continuing successfully for twelve years. He later bought from Mr. Gross and the borough of Millerstown the shirt factory plant in Millerstown, which he has since successfully operated. He began with a factory force of thirty-five and now employs one hundred and four persons. The old building and plant proving inadequate to the needs of his growing business, Mr. Page in the spring of 1912 began the erection of a new factory building which was completed in September of that year at a cost of \$8,000, an equal sum also being invested in new and modern shirt making equipment. This is now one of the prosperous industries of Millerstown, and a striking illustration of the business ability of its owner. Mr. Page is a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle; a Democrat in politics; and for four years was councilman of the borough and school director for a like period.

He married Estella W., daughter of Bayard Nields, a farmer of Juniata county; children: Huldah; May, married Lloyd Knight (whom she survives); Charles C., married Jennie Walker; Mercy P., married John Slaughterback; Morton; Frances, married Harry J. Beecham; Merl; Darlington, died aged five years.

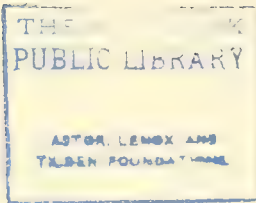


The Cummins family is of Scotch-Irish descent, the CUMMINS American ancestor, William Cummins, arriving in Pennsylvania during the latter part of the eighteenth century. He first settled on the banks of Little Chickies creek, Lancaster county, and later moved to Kishacoquillas valley, where he purchased 364 acres of land. He was a cooper by trade, and had a shop on his farm. He owned considerable land in the Juniata Valley, including a farm in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, which he placed in charge of his son Robert. William Cummins married Sara Semple; children: 1. James, of whom little is known. 2. Robert, married Mary Sterrett; children: Cyrus, a United Presbyterian minister, married Nancy Collins; Sara, married George Porter, a farmer; Samuel, a farmer, married Cathern Smith; Nancy, married John Wilson, a farmer; Sterrett, a farmer, married Agnes McNitt; Jane, married Ebenezer Magill, a farmer; and Elizabeth and Samuel, who died before they reached twenty years. 3. Charles, of whom further below. 4. Margaret, married an Obern. 5. Colonel William, married (first) Sara Sterrett; children: Dr. James, married Mina ———; David, married Cathern Barr; Elizabeth, married John Beatty, a farmer. Colonel William married (second) Martha Montgomery McElheny; children: Rebecca, married Charles Davis; William, died unmarried; Sara, married Rev. J. M. Adair; Martha, married John McNitt, a farmer; John, died unmarried; Margaret, married James Davies, a farmer; Colonel William married (third) Jane Young; no children.

(II) Charles, son of William and Sara Cummins, was born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where he lived until his removal to Jackson township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, where he bought a farm and lived until his death. He married Catherine McAlevy, daughter of William McAlevy (see below). Children of Charles and Catherine Cummins: 1. William, lived and died in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania; a miller and farmer, married Margaret Magill. 2. Colonel John, a farmer; lived and died in Huntingdon county; married (first) Mary Ann Smith; (second) Jane Nancy Magill Hunter; (third) Mary Duff. 3. David, was a soldier during the civil war and died in a boat on James river near Fortress Monroe, Virginia; unmarried. 4. Sara, who died in her teens. 5. Robert, of whom further. 6. Ruth, the second wife of Rev. J. M. Adair, of McAlevy's Fort, for many years;

he died in Indiana, Pennsylvania, and she in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.

(III) Robert, fourth son of Charles and Catherine (McAlevy) Cummins, was born in Jackson township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, June 16, 1827, near McAlevy's Fort, and died in Armagh township, near Milroy, Mifflin county, May 27, 1882. He attended the township school during the winter, while he spent the remainder of the year working in the grist mill or on the home farm. After his marriage he purchased and inherited his share of two hundred and forty acres of good farm land in Jackson township, where he resided until 1866, then moved to Armagh township, Mifflin county, where in about 1868 or 1869 he purchased a valuable farm of about two hundred and ten acres near Milroy, on which he resided until his death. This estate he improved with suitable modern buildings, and brought the soil to a high state of cultivation. He was a successful farmer, and a straightforward business man, ever holding the warm regard of his neighbors, to whom he was familiarly known as "Long Robert Cummins," to distinguish him from others of the same name. He was a tall man, and when wearing a high beaver hat was indeed "Long Robert." He was a Republican in politics, and held many local offices. In religious faith both he and wife were United Presbyterians. He married, March 9, 1854, Cathern Ann McNitt, born in Armagh township, Mifflin county, in the stone house on the McNitt homestead, near Siglerville, November 30, 1832, died April 1, 1911, in Reedsville, Pennsylvania. She was the ninth child and sixth daughter of Alexander Brown and Nancy (Sterrett) McNitt, and granddaughter of John McNitt. Children of Robert and Cathern Ann Cummins: 1. Agnes Jane, born June 3, 1855; married, May, 1886, Ogleby James Reed, born August 10, 1834, died in Reedsville, Pennsylvania, January 9, 1905, whom she survives, a resident of Reedsville; children: John Milton, born November 17, 1888, now a civil engineer in Canada; Mary Brown, born April 28, 1890, student at Swarthmore College; Anna Cummins, born December 21, 1891, attending Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts; James Andrew, student at Lewistown Academy, born March 18, 1897. 2. Catherine Sterrett, born June 20, 1857; married, December 27, 1887, William Cummins Beatty, born April 30, 1850, now residing on the old Cummins homestead in Huntingdon county, near McAlevy's Fort; children: Ruth Cummins, born December 12, 1888, a student at Westmin-





*Robert Cummins*





*Cather A Cummings*

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ster College, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania; Catherine Anna, August 29, 1892, attending Indiana State Normal, Indiana, Pennsylvania. 3. Alexander Brown, born June 2, 1859; married (first) March 20, 1894, Martha Gertrude Aitken, who died September, 1910; married (second) Mrs. Mary Mitchell Koons; he is a retired farmer, now living in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, and is an elder in the Presbyterian church of Milroy, Pennsylvania. 4. Mary Brown, born March 29, 1861, resides in Reedsville with her sister. 5. Martha, born April 6, 1870; resides in Reedsville with her sister, Mary B.

William McAlevy, father of Catherine (McAlevy) Cummins (of whom above), wife of Charles Cummins, was born in Ireland, about 1728, and was but about three months old when his parents came to Pennsylvania, but a stroke of lightning killed them both shortly after their arrival, and he was left an orphan. He was reared by a maternal uncle who taught him his own trade—weaving. Not being enamored of his uncle's trade nor of his treatment, William ran away and enlisted in the Forbes expedition to Fort Duquesne, and was one of a detachment sent to collect and bury the remains of those who fell on Braddock's Field, being then nineteen years of age. It is related that at one time he concealed himself from the Indians in a log for nine days, where a goose had laid nine eggs, apparently for his use, as he ate one egg each day; the Indians held a war dance around the log, but he was unmolested. He also served in the revolutionary war, and was known as General McAlevy. He finally settled in Stone Valley, fourteen miles from Petersburg, where he owned a grist mill, a farm and distillery. The place was known as McAlevy's Fort, and later as the Old Fort. He was a large portly man, of rugged constitution, and one of the well-to-do men of his time. His judgment in matters generally was revered as the deliverance of an oracle, as the following goes to show, which has been handed down and vouched for by those whose memories would extend back to or near his day: When an important election was being held, and men would meet at the polls and one would inquire of another for whom he was going to vote, the reply often made would be, "Indeed, I can't say; I haven't seen the General yet." He died in August, 1822, aged ninety-four years. He was three times married. His first wife was Margaret Harris, sister of John Harris, the founder of Harrisburg. His second wife was

Mary Hays; he conveyed her over Stone Mountain on a slide-car, for fear of the Indians. His third wife was the widow Allen.

The following is a copy of his commission as brigadier-general. It will be noticed that the spelling of his name in this commission is different from the spelling now used, but it is known from the general's autograph in a letter to one of his descendants that the present spelling is correct:

Commission to WILLIAM McALEVY, Esq.,

Brigadier General (L. S.):

In the name and by the authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Thomas McKean, Governor of the said Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

To William McIllevy, of the county of Huntingdon, Esquire, greeting:

Know you, That reposing confidence in your zeal, valor, patriotism and fidelity, I have appointed, and, by these presents I do appoint you, the said William McIllevy, Brigadier General of the 2nd Brigade, composed of the militia of the counties of Mifflin (including Center and Huntingdon), to have and to hold the said office, and to exercise, perform and enjoy all the powers, duties and emoluments there-with lawfully belonging, for the term of seven years, from the day of the date hereof, if you shall so long behave yourself well.

In testimony whereof, I have set my hand and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed to these presents, at Lancaster, the eighteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred, and of the Commonwealth the twenty-fourth.

By the Governor,

JAMES TRIMBLE,  
Deputy Sec'y.

This has been copied from a history of General William McAlevy by the late Rev. J. M. Adair, who married Ruth Cummins, the General's great-granddaughter, and was written during 1898 or 1899.

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John and Rachel Sellers, emigrant founders of this  
SELLERS branch of the Sellers family, were born in Germany,  
coming to the United States after their marriage and  
settling in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. Later they moved to  
Dauphin county, where John Sellers plied his trade of blacksmith and  
prospered. He owned a good farm, and later in life, when the heavy



work of a smith was beyond his strength, retired and managed that property until his death. He was a soldier of the war of 1812, a hard worker and good citizen. He reared a family of eight.

(II) David, son of John and Rachel Sellers, was born near Round Top, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He moved with his parents to Dauphin county, married there, and settled about one mile from the village of Dauphin. For thirty-one years he was engaged as a tanner with Mr. Robinson, then retired to a small farm he had bought, on which he lived until his death. He was a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Eliza McNeely, born in Dauphin county, daughter of John and Elizabeth McNeely, both born in Ireland, came to the United States, settling in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, where they purchased a farm, on which they lived until death, leaving issue. Children of David and Eliza Sellers: William, deceased; Lucretia, deceased; Charles W., now living in Dauphin; Benjamin F., deceased; Jennie, deceased; David Greenbanks, of whom further; Baal, now living in Harrisburg; Caroline, deceased; a child, died in infancy.

(III) David Greenbanks, son of David and Eliza (McNeely) Sellers, was born near Dauphin, Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, July 22, 1844. He was educated in the public school and remained at the home farm until sixteen years of age. In 1860 he entered the employ of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad as brakeman, remaining one year. He was then employed on bridge construction until his enlistment in 1865, in Company A, 101st Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was in service nearly a year, then received an honorable discharge. In the latter part of 1865 he entered the services of the Pennsylvania railroad as fireman, continuing as such for five years, finally in 1870 receiving his promotion to the coveted position on the right hand side of the cab. He was assigned to the freight service, continuing until 1909, when he was retired, being one of the oldest engineers in the service of the company at the time of his retirement. He then retired to his fruit farm of thirty-five acres, purchased in 1909 by Mr. Sellers and his son-in-law, George Edward Hess. The farm, located one mile west of Duncannon at Juniata Bridge, is a veritable bower of beauty, with its many rows of apple, peach, pear and cherry trees in bloom and is a source of pleasure to its owners, as re-

turns are received from the bountiful yield resulting. The best known methods of fruit culture have been employed, and so model an orchard is it that it is used by the State Board of Agriculture as one of its few demonstrating stations. The raising of garden produce is carried along with fruit culture, a ready market being found with the Pennsylvania railroad, furnishing their dining cars and commissary department with the delicacies of garden and orchard. Here after his many years of life spent on the gleaming rails, rushing his engine through sunshine and storm, through daylight and gloom, drawing the products of mine, factory, mill and farm to supply the needs of every clime, the veteran of forty-four years of faithful service spends his days in the peace, quiet and beauty of his own acres. He is a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Grand Army of the Republic; and both he and his wife are communicants of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Sellers married, in 1873, Annie Taylor. Children: Ada, married George Edward Hess, now a partner with Mr. Sellers in the fruit farm at Juniata Bridge (see Hess family forward); Howard, deceased; Mary, resides in Harrisburg; Ruth, Mabel.

(The Hess Line).

George Edward Hess descends from German ancestors, early settlers in Marysville, Pennsylvania. His grandfather Hess was a lumberman of Perry and Dauphin counties, also a veteran of the civil war. His wife Martha was also of German descent.

Philip Hess, father of George E. Hess, born at Marysville, became a truck farmer, owning a farm of eighty-six acres just north of Harrisburg. He continued there for many years in successful business, supplying the Harrisburg and western markets on the Pennsylvania railroad with the products of his carefully cultivated fields. He finally retired to the village of Minnick, where he died August 24, 1899, aged about sixty-five years. He was a Democrat in politics, and both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Nannie Hight, born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, who survives him, residing in Minnick. Her father was one of the early Pennsylvania railroad men, and rode with the first train that ever crossed the middle division of that road. Children: Anna, died aged

eighteen years; George Edward (of whom further); Frank, killed while in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad, unmarried; William, a wholesale produce dealer on East Pratt street, Baltimore, Maryland, married Bess Wagner, and their children are Margaret Frances and Florence.

George Edward, eldest son of Philip and Nannie (Hight) Hess, was born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1870. He was educated in the public schools and in a private school in Harrisburg, after which he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad as freight brakeman. He was later advanced to the passenger service, and on May 13, 1906, was promoted to conductor. His run was No. 1019 fast mail west, and No. 8 day express, East Altoona to Harrisburg. This continued until July 4, 1909, when he seized an opportunity to return to the business of his boyhood days, truck and fruit farming. He joined his father-in-law, David G. Sellers, then recently retired from the post of engineer with the Pennsylvania, in the purchase of the thirty-five acre tract at Juniata Bridge, which they have developed into one of the most productive and beautiful fruit farms in the state. An experienced gardener, Mr. Hess has also developed a truck business as well, and supplied the restaurants and dining cars of the Pennsylvania system with the delicacies for which they are famous. His shipment of parsley alone is eighteen half-barrels weekly. A recently added feature of this wonderful little farm is a poultry department, with incubators brooders, and all the equipments of modern chicken raising. The fruit raised includes every variety that can be profitably grown in that climate, and so scientifically has the farm been arranged and the fruit cared for, that in its second year the State Board made it one of their demonstrating stations, and used it as an object lesson for fruit and truck farmers.

Mr. Hess is a Republican in politics; was collector of taxes of the Fifth ward in Harrisburg, two years deputy sheriff under H. C. Wells, and for one year in charge of the collection of city taxes. He ran for councilman for his ward and, although polling the largest vote of any candidate on the ticket, was defeated by one vote. He is a member of the Brotherhood of Railroad Conductors and of the Pennsylvania Railroad Relief Association. Mr. Hess married, March 1, 1894, Ada, daughter of David G. and Annie (Taylor) Sellers, and has a daughter, Esther.

The paternal grandparents of the late Albert Millar of MILLAR Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, were Henry and Mattalina (Brenn) Millar, both born in Germany. His maternal grandparents, John and Ann (Burns) McMullen, were of Scotch-Irish descent.

(II) William D., son of Albert and Mattalina Millar, married Elizabeth McMullen, who bore him seven children.

(III) Albert, sixth child of William D. and Elizabeth (McMullen) Millar, was born near the village of Gap, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, March 16, 1860, died in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, May 22, 1906. When he was seven years of age his parents moved to Harrisburg, where he attended the public schools, his brilliant mental qualities winning him the commendation and respect of his teachers and class mates. He was graduated from high school at the age of sixteen years, winning the honor of being Salutatorian of his class. Being compelled to earn his own living, he entered mercantile business as a clerk, but soon afterward became an employee of the Jackson Manufacturing Company in their engine room. He soon won the attention of his employers, who, seeing the mettle of the lad, took him from the engine room and placed him in the office, where he again quickly demonstrated his ability, winning rapid promotion. He was later assigned to the office of the firm in Pittsburgh as bookkeeper, remaining two years. These years had but strengthened his purpose, formed long before, to become a lawyer, and at the end of his two years in Pittsburgh he returned to Harrisburg and registered as a law student in the office of Joshua M. Wiestling, then one of the leading members of the Dauphin county bar. On February 13, 1884, after passing a creditable examination he was admitted to the bar and for one year practiced alone. He quickly gained a clientage and secured recognition from the older members of the bar by his conscientious and skilful handling of the cases entrusted to him. During his second year he was admitted to a partnership with Judge George Kunkel, later president-judge of Dauphin county, this association continuing until 1898, when Mr. Millar was elected district attorney for Dauphin county. He was thrice elected solicitor of the county and in 1894 was elected district attorney, continuing by re-election for two terms. On retiring from that office he was appointed by the town com-





*Alban Miller*



missioners, in 1904, continuing in that office until his death two years later. His private practice was largely in the appellate courts of the state and in the United States courts, he having been admitted to all state and federal courts of the district. His fame was not confined to Dauphin county, but he was frequently engaged in important litigation in other counties. As an attorney he was learned in the law and skilful in its application, conscientious and faithful, keen of perception and a hard worker, giving his cases thorough preparation. Before a jury he was clear and forceful, presenting his facts in a clear, logical, convincing manner, trusting to the strength of his presentation, rather than to rhetoric—never seeking an opportunity to display his eloquence to dazzle a jury, but in well chosen language stating facts and precedents to jury and court. He was always courteous in all his dealings with the court and fair to his brethren of the bar, winning from judges and lawyers a confidence and esteem terminated only by death. As a prosecutor he was relentless with the guilty, but while giving them privileges accorded them by the law, always, if possible, brought them to conviction and punishment. While stricken in the prime of life, he gained prominence at the bar and in public esteem that only falls to the lot of a natural leader. He was one of the most brilliant and prominent lawyers of that section and won his prominence fairly.

Full as was his life and busily employed as he was in his legal business, he did not neglect his duties as a citizen, but took the deepest interest in the politics of his county and state. In fact, he made politics his recreation, never being happier than when in the thick of a political fight on behalf of his friends. In his early life he engaged in these conflicts for pure love of the battle and never outgrew his genuine pleasure in campaigning, although not for personal gain. He wielded a large political influence. His resourcefulness, keen sense of humor and unswerving devotion brought to him a host of loyal and admiring friends from all walks of life. He was public spirited, interested in the cause of education and in the welfare of the community, and gave to the city a liberal donation of land for park purposes, in order that his fellow citizens might have adequate opportunity for recreation and enjoyment. His was an open-handed generosity, yet his charity was never ostentatious. Of him it may truly be said: "He was a friend of the people." A fair estimate of the life and character of the man

as a citizen is given in the loving tribute paid to him by his lifelong friend and former law partner, President Judge Kunkel, at the meeting of the Bar Association convened at the time of his death:

"I have listened with extreme satisfaction to the kind tributes which love and friendship have paid to the memory of our departed friend and brother, and it is needless to say that in them I sincerely join. The life that has gone out I knew and loved. The attributes of his mind you have had an equal opportunity with me to know and admire, but, touching the qualities of the heart and soul, my long and intimate acquaintance with him have given me a truer knowledge and a fuller admiration.

"The character of our friend can best be portrayed by reference to those qualities, which, though common to human nature, were singularly absent in him. He disdained show and ostentation. He was frank and open. He was unpretentious. He was without guile. He was incapable of pretence or simulation, and he sought to be taken for what he really was and for no other. But, remarkable above all else, he was a man in whom there was no envy. In this world of strife and contention, where, in the struggle for preference and power, for wealth and station, this characteristic of human nature is displayed, he rejoiced in the success and advancement of others, friend or foe, and felt in no degree the sensation of envy's influence.

"With these qualities there were combined in him unswerving loyalty to friends and an unselfish and untiring activity for their interests. His course was one labor of friendship; his public and his private life one sacrifice for others. His stay here has been brief, but, in that brief period, he has spent the energy and achieved the success of many years.

"To say his presence among us will be missed is to say what may be said of anyone, but to say his forceful influence in public life, his delightful companionship at the bar, and his unostentatious beneficences in private life will be missed, is to express in feeble and inadequate terms the deep and lasting impression his life and character have made upon his fellows. The body may decay, the physical presence of our friend and associate may pass from our view, but the delightful memories, which have entwined themselves about his strong personality, can never die. In this world of evanescent things these will remain."

On September 10, 1902, Mr. Millar married Josephine B. Michener, of Duncannon, Pennsylvania; children: Albert Elkin, born June 12, 1903, and Josephine M., born August 23, 1906. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Millar returned to Duncannon with her children, and there resides, occupying her old home.



(The Michener Line).

The first emigrant of this name to arrive in Pennsylvania from France settled at Plymouth, Montgomery county, where he reared a family and lived until death.

Eleazer Michener, his son, was born in Plymouth, which was his home until after his marriage and the birth of some of his children. About 1838 he moved to Penn township, Perry county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased and cultivated a farm until his death many years later. He married Mary Fye; children: Jonathan, a farmer, lived and died on the Perry county homestead farm; Katherine, died young, unmarried; Philip, a noted worker in the Lutheran church, died in Duncannon; Joseph, of whom further; Martha, died in December, 1912, unmarried; Eleazer (2), a veteran of the civil war; Doan, killed in a railroad accident; Lewis, died aged twenty-seven years; Washington, the only survivor (1913), lives in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Joseph, son of Eleazer Michener, was born in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, in 1830, died in Duncannon, Pennsylvania, February 26, 1907, aged seventy-seven years. He was in his ninth year when his parents moved to Perry county, and there he was educated and ever afterward lived. He was for many years a contractor and builder of Duncannon, later engaging there in the grocery business, and continuing until his death. He was an honorable, capable builder and a good business man. While raised in and always partial to the Lutheran church, he never formally connected with any religious body. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias, holding the perfect esteem of his brethren. In political faith a Republican, he held several of the town offices. He married Margaret M. Mell, born in Petersburg (now Duncannon), Perry county, in 1836, died in Perry county, March 10, 1912, aged seventy-six years, a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. She was the daughter of Adam and Agnes (Reed) Mell, both old settlers of Perry county. Adam Mell, of German parentage, lived in Duncannon and there died. His wife survived him many years until 1865, but never remarried; children of Adam Mell: Matilda, married John Topley, and died in Duncannon; Sarah, married Joseph Waite, and died in New Buffalo; John, a veteran of the civil war, died in Duncannon; Christina, married Theodore De

Normandie; Catherine, the only survivor, married Samuel Saul, and resides in California; Harvey, died in Harrisburg; Margaret M., married Joseph Michener, of previous mention; children: Edward, married Hannah Gross, and resides in Duncannon; Mary Agnes, married Andrew Shull, and resides in Harrisburg; Matilda, married Andrew George, and resides in Duncannon; Martha Ann, married William Owen, and resides in Duncannon; Josephine B. (of previous mention), widow of Albert Millar, resides in Duncannon in the home of her girlhood; Anna D., married Frank Harper, and resides in Duncannon.

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Isaac Lawrence Goss, during his life, was one of the important, progressive and successful business men of Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He was descended from English ancestry, the name being a famous one to this day in England, where it is written Gosse, and to which belonged the eminent poet, Gosse. The first of the name to cross the Atlantic to America probably reached New York about 1740, possibly earlier. He drifted into Pennsylvania, settled there, and reared his family, all of whom became substantial citizens.

(I) Jacob Goss, father of Isaac Lawrence Goss, was born in Snyder county, Pennsylvania, as was his wife, Sarah Stumpff. There they grew to maturity and married, making their first home in West Beaver township, Snyder county. He was one of the first wagonmakers in the county, and one of his specialties was the old fashioned "tar" wagon, which was universally used in that day. They lived in West Beaver until after the birth of their last child, when they moved to Mifflin county, bought land in Decatur township, cleared it, erected buildings, and put it under cultivation. From the first Mr. Goss was successful as a farmer, and he and his wife lived to an advanced age in the quiet surroundings of their home. They were both members of the German Reformed church, and in this faith reared their children. They ranked among the most respected members of the township. He was a Republican, and worked actively for its principles. Children: 1. Margaret, widow of John Weader; makes home in Snyder county. 2. George, lived and died in Adamsburg, Pennsylvania. 3. John O., lived and died in Snyder county. 4. A boy, died in infancy. 5. Jacob Irvin, a retired farmer in Paintersville, Mifflin county,

Pennsylvania. 6. William Howard, makes home in Paintersville. 7. Isaac Lawrence, of whom further. 8. Robert, died in infancy. 9. Jeremiah, died in Mifflin county. 10. Andrew, lives in Mifflin county.

(II) Isaac Lawrence Goss, son of Jacob and Sarah (Stumpff) Goss, was born September 5, 1857, in West Beaver township, Snyder county, Pennsylvania. He received his education in the West Beaver township schools. On reaching his majority, with an axe as his sole personal possession, he went to a lumber mill in Mifflin county, where he was engaged as a chopper. Later he bought a team and finally, by dint of economy, assisted by shrewd judgment, he engaged in the lumber business for himself, thus demonstrating his ability to overcome that great handicap, the want of capital with which to begin business. In 1884 he formed a partnership with William Howard Goss, his brother, under the firm name of Goss Brothers, and they continued in the lumber business at Paintersville until the death of Isaac L., which occurred November 2, 1902. It had grown to large proportions and was extending with each month. They owned several mills in Mifflin county and had extensive farming interests. In 1900 Mr. Goss erected a handsome home in Derry township, where he lived until his death. He was a Republican, working for the ticket in local, state and national affairs. He served one term as school director and one as supervisor, being the latter at his death. Like his parents, he was a member of the German Reformed church, as is his wife.

He married Rebecca C. Kemberling, born in Mifflin county, Decatur township, a daughter of Robert and Sarah (Gibboney) Kemberling, who were old time residents of Mifflin county. He was a veteran of the civil war, and a prosperous farmer. His children were: 1. Priscilla, married Charles McElhoe, of Wagner, Pennsylvania. 2. Emma, deceased; married Adam Goss. 3. Rebecca C., married Isaac Lawrence Goss. 4. Child, died in babyhood. 5. John, a railroad employee; died in German Hospital, Philadelphia. 6. Albert, lives in Lewistown; is ex-sheriff of the county. 7. Lizzie, married William Steininger of Maitland, Pennsylvania. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kemberling were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. The death of Isaac Lawrence Goss was universally regretted by those who knew him, especially those with whom he had done business. He was one of the honest, conscientious and upright citizens of his community, and was held in the

highest esteem. Children: 1. William R., born 1879; died in infancy. 2. James A., born November 27, 1881; lives in Maitland, Pennsylvania; married Sadie M. Hummel. He was educated in the common schools of Mifflin county and the Kutztown State Normal, from which he graduated with honors. Leaving school he taught seven years in Mifflin county, making for himself a reputation as an educator. Since 1911 he has engaged successfully in milling at Maitland. He has no children. 3. Sadie M., born May 6, 1883; married James L. Smith, a baker of Lewistown; one son, Russell. 4. Earl Woodford, born July 5, 1886; married Ellen Yeatter; lives in Maitland; no children. 5. Jacob Howard, born November 20, 1890; unmarried; a miller by trade, and a partner of James A. Goss, the firm being known as J. A. Goss & Company. 6. Died unnamed. 7. Hettie Sophia; married Samuel Richard, of Maitland. 8. Sherman Harrison, a student at Mercersburg Academy. 9. Ruth Rebecca, at home with her mother.

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This branch of the Smith family descends from Andrew SMITH Smith, born in Switzerland, who early in life came to this country, settling in Baltimore county, Maryland. He was a tailor by trade, but varied this with farming operations. His wife came from Germany when a young woman, working for two years after her arrival to pay her passage money, under a custom then much in vogue.

(II) George, son of Andrew Smith, was born in Baltimore county, Maryland, where he grew to manhood and followed his father's trade of tailor. He married, in Queen Anne's county, Maryland, Mary Maninee, and later moved to Hopewell township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, where he still followed his trade. In the fall of 1812 he bought a farm of one hundred and forty acres, where Cassville now stands, there built a log house, and resided until 1829, his sons cultivating the farm and the father working at his trade. In 1829 he sold his farm and moved to Tod township, where he bought ninety-eight acres which he improved and thereon passed the remainder of his life, and died in December, 1839. He was a Whig in politics, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife, Mary Maninee, was born in Maryland, of French parentage, died in Cass township, Huntingdon county, in 1855; children: Eliel; William, died in Huntingdon county,



Pennsylvania; Daniel, died in West Virginia; Sarah; Levi, of whom further; George, died in Trough Creek Valley; Jesse P., born March 9, 1812, married Susan Gherrett; Andrew; Isaac, died in Kansas; Elizabeth S., married Samuel Miller, and died at Mount Union, Pennsylvania; Barton; Mary M., and one died in infancy.

(III) Levi, son of George and Mary (Maninee) Smith, was born in Hopewell township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, about the year 1808, died from the effects of an accident, at his farm in Union township, Huntingdon county, in 1873. He always followed the occupation of a farmer, settling after his marriage in Union township. His schooling was in the old Stever school, in Cass township, where for a month or two each year he sat on rough pine slab seats, studying his book by light admitted through the paper covering the window openings. After his settlement in Union township he became duly prosperous, and was highly respected in his community. He held various township offices, and was a devout Methodist, being class leader, a teacher, and superintendent of the Sunday school. In political belief a Whig, he joined with the Republican party when the old party passed out of existence. He married Mary, daughter of Samuel (2) Pheasant, who when a young man came from Maryland, settling on a farm of sixty acres in Trough Creek Valley, which he purchased and improved. He added to his original farm by purchase, and there successfully engaged in farming and stock raising until his death, October 30, 1871, at the age of seventy-eight years.

He was held in high esteem, and was chosen by his neighbors for the offices of tax collector, supervisor and school director. He was an active, devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal church, which he served as class leader and trustee. Samuel Pheasant married (first) Annie Snyder, who died at the homestead in Trough Creek Valley, September 22, 1853, aged fifty-eight years. He married (second) Mary Baumgardner. Mary, the eldest daughter of Samuel Pheasant by his first wife, married Levi Smith (of previous mention). Samuel was the son of Samuel Pheasant, of Sheffield, England, who to escape military service was smuggled in a barrel on board a ship bound for America. He landed in Baltimore, settling in Queen Anne's county, Maryland, where he married, and there his son Samuel (2) was born. Two of the eleven children of Samuel Pheasant by his first wife are yet

living—Samuel, a farmer of Union township; and Christian, living in Trough Creek Valley. Mary Pheasant Smith died in 1910, aged ninety-three years two months and three days, having been a widow for thirty-eight years. Both she and her husband are buried in Mapleton cemetery.

Children of Levi and Mary (Pheasant) Smith: 1. Samuel Pheasant, of whom further. 2. George, a physician, died in Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania. 3. John, a farmer, died in Huntingdon county. 4. Annie, married Abram Swope. 5. Rosa Belle, married Joseph Pheasant, whom she survives, a resident of Lincoln, Nebraska. 6. Elizabeth, married John Bookheimer, and resides in Tyrone, Pennsylvania. 7. David, killed in a railroad accident. 8. James, a physician, died in Tyrone, Pennsylvania. 9. Miles, now living in Huntingdon county. 10. Abraham, killed in the battle of the Wilderness. 11. Isaac, now living in Manhattan, Kansas. 12. Mary, died in Kansas; married William Chilcoat. 13. Leonard, now a farmer on the old homestead.

(IV) Samuel Pheasant, eldest son of Levi and Mary (Pheasant) Smith, was born in Union township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, September 3, 1832. He attended the public schools, finishing his studies at Cassville Seminary. He grew to manhood on the home farm, and there became proficient in the occupation he ever followed—farming. After his marriage he purchased a farm of one hundred and twenty acres in Union township, where he built a fine home and otherwise improved. In 1859 he sold his farm and moved to Huntingdon, to fill the office of county commissioner, to which he had been elected. After his term expired he returned to the farm in Smith Valley, where he resided until 1895, when he sold and purchased another of three hundred and twenty acres in Brady township, where he conducted farming and stock raising operations until 1907, when he disposed of his farm property and moved to Huntingdon, where he now lives a retired life. He is a member of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Free and Accepted Masons, and of the Patriotic Order of Sons of America. He is a man of high standing in the community; was justice of the peace in both Union and Brady townships, in the latter serving in all township offices, and in 1881 was chosen county commissioner on the Republican ticket. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and in his younger days took an active part in church affairs.





*H. S. Smith*



He married, November 15, 1853, Catherine W., daughter of David and Isabella (Wright) Swope, of German descent. Children: 1. Ralph P., born in Union township, Huntingdon county, September 7, 1854; a teacher in his youth; now a farmer of Cass township, where he has resided since 1872; married, September 10, 1872, Amanda Fisher, and has issue: Elmer, Lottie, Clem, Beulah, Denver and Carrie. 2. Isabella, married Madison Swope; children: A. Dennis and May. 3. Jane, married James Kidder, and resides in North Dakota; no issue. 4. Josephine, married Milton Mierly, a farmer, and resides in Porter township, Huntingdon county; children: Mamie, Maud, Lillian, Oscar and John. 5. Harrison S. (Harry), of whom further. 6. Catherine, married Andrew Neff, and lives at Alexandria, Pennsylvania; by a previous marriage she has a son, Fred M. Laird. 7. Samuel, a farmer of the Kishacoquillas Valley; married Currie Bumgardner; children: Lloyd, Clair, Sam, Anna, Edith, Margaret, Alma. 8. Julia, married Charles Streightiff, and resides in Huntingdon; no issue. 9. Edgar, a farmer of Alexandria, Pennsylvania; married Rebecca Huly; children: Mary A., Cora, Edna and Samuel. At this writing (1913) Samuel P. Smith and his wife have fourteen grandchildren.

(V) Harrison S. (familiarily known as Harry), son of Samuel P. and Catherine W. (Swope) Smith, was born in Union township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, October 3, 1862. He was educated in the public schools, and remained at home as his father's assistant until he was twenty-one years of age. He was then for several years in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, continuing until 1897, when he was appointed guard at the Huntingdon State Industrial Reformatory. In 1909 he was elected sheriff of Huntingdon county, an office he filled with credit and yet holds. He is a member of the Patriotic Order of Sons of America and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Huntingdon; is a Republican; and both he and his wife are members of the Reformed Church.

He married, May 1, 1884, May L., daughter of William and Mary (Helsell) Snowden, both born in Bedford county, Pennsylvania; children: Grace, born January 5, 1886, married Ray Goddard, a mechanical draughtsman, and resides in Alton, Illinois; Ethel, Isabel and Robert, at home.

The Garretts, of Lewistown, Pennsylvania, descend GARRETT from German ancestry, the emigrant, Jacob Garrett, coming at an early day, and settling in what is now York county, Pennsylvania. He was a farmer, married and left issue, including a son Jacob.

(II) Jacob (2), son of the emigrant, Jacob (1) Garrett, was born in York county, Pennsylvania, there lived and died. He was a farmer of York county, but lived in the Juniata Valley for some time. He married and had issue, including a son John W.

(III) John W., son of Jacob (2) Garrett, was born about 1812, learned the millwright's trade, and when a young man located in the state of Ohio. While dressing a mill-stone in a mill at Cincinnati, his home, he was crushed to death. John W. Garrett married Mary Shultz, born in Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in 1815, died 1892, daughter of John Shultz, a pioneer of the Juniata Valley, who had the following children: Christina, died in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, in her ninety-seventh year; Elizabeth, died in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, aged eighty-five years; Mina, died aged eighty-eight; Mary, married John W. Garrett and died aged seventy-seven years; Hannah, died aged seventy-eight years; George, died in his ninety-ninth year. The average age of the six children was eighty-six years. John W. Garrett, at the time of his death, left an infant son, John S., of whom further.

(IV) John S., only child of John W. and Mary (Shultz) Garrett, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, April 26, 1843, only a few months prior to the accidental death of his father. His mother returned with her babe to Lewistown, Pennsylvania, where she lived with her father, John Shultz, until her marriage to Henry Kemerling, who died in 1865, leaving a daughter Margaret, now the widow of Henry S. Jacobs, of Perry. John S. Garrett attended the public schools in his early boyhood, but at the age of seven years drove a team on the tow path of the canal and continued a canal boatman until the war, working summers and attending school in the winter months. In 1861 he joined the second company of Logan Guards, later enlisting in Company A, 46th Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry. He served with credit until September, 1864, then was honorably discharged at Atlanta, Georgia, returning to his home in Lewistown at once. He was in railroad employ a short



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time, then reënlisted at Philadelphia, March 6, 1865, in Company E, Third United States Volunteers, for one year, discharged March 6, 1866, at Springfield, Illinois. He served during his military service with the Army of the Potomac, was with Sherman in the west, and engaged in the battles of Nashville, Chattanooga, Marietta, Reseca, Kenesaw Mountain, siege of Atlanta, and was within seven miles of Washington the night of President Lincoln's assassination, his regiment acting as guard over prisoners. After his final discharge Mr. Garrett returned to Lewistown and for two years again worked on the canal. He was then elected head constable of the township and appointed chief of police of Lewistown, serving six years. He was then in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad for two years. In 1881 he was elected sheriff of Mifflin county, serving three years, returning to the railroad in 1885. Since that year he was continuously in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad, up to 1913, when he was retired, his last capacity being joint yardmaster at Lewistown Junction. He resides in Lewistown, where he erected, in 1884, a good home at the corner of Wayne and Fifth streets. He is a Democrat in politics; a member of Lewistown Lodge, No. 97, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Improved Order of Red Men, Lodge No. 67; the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Huling Post, No. 176, Grand Army of the Republic, and is an attendant of the Episcopal church. Mr. Garrett was for eleven years a member of the Pennsylvania National Guard, connected with the Fifth Regiment, as private, sergeant, lieutenant, captain and lieutenant-colonel. Mr. Garrett has the record of never having tasted any kind of intoxicating liquor in his life.

He married, December 25, 1867, Mary E. Peters, born in Mifflin county in 1850, daughter of Daniel and Rachel (Jones) Peters. Daniel Peters died in 1896, aged about eighty years; his wife died September 7, 1872, aged forty-seven years. The family, after their father's death, moved to Clyde, Sandusky county, Ohio. Daniel and Rachel Peters had thirteen children, four now living: Frank, Leonard, Solomon and Mary E. Children of John S. and Mary E. (Peters) Garrett: 1. William H., born November 12, 1868, died May 16, 1869. 2. Oliver Perry, born March 13, 1870, married Lila Owens, and has children: Joseph Shultz, John Howard, Robert Hughes, Harry Owens, Oliver Perry (2), Richard Paul and Enslow Beale. 3. Samuel Henry, born

August 31, 1872, died January 16, 1873. 4. John Lewis, born December 4, 1873, married Harriet E. Briner, and has children: Charles Briner, John Shultz and Thomas Hooker. 5. Daisy Grace, born February 12, 1876, at home. 6. Elsie Platt, born July 18, 1879, married Oliver P. Smith. 7. James Albert, born May 1, 1881, married Elva Crissman, and has children: Esther C. and Catherine Elizabeth. 8. Edward Smith, born January 8, 1883, died February 13, 1884. 9. Anna Webb, born August 15, 1884, died January 20, 1889. 10. Rufus Elder, born November 16, 1886, married Bessie Thornburg, and has: Mildred, Elizabeth and Margaret Robinson. 11. Mary Elizabeth, born February 11, 1888, married Harry C. Stuck, and had child, John Garrett. 12. Catherine Strang, born July 16, 1890, married Harold Lawrence Wampole, and has Elizabeth Garrett. 13. Robert Jacobs, born January 16, 1895, died May 7, 1898.

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One of the first of Ireland's sons to come to America  
MILLER was Matthew Miller, the founder of the Miller family in Pennsylvania. Coming from Donegal county, Ireland, soon after the revolution, he settled in Juniata county, then moving to Huntingdon county and there purchasing a large farm in Miller township. This was all virgin forest, and before a building could be raised, the mighty work of reclaiming the land from Nature's sway had to be performed. No buzzing-toothed wheel could be used here, no power could be utilized but that in the strong right arm, and for weeks the only sound rising above the low rustling murmur of the forest was the steady ring of axe upon wood. Here in the home he had made for himself in the country he had adopted as his own Matthew Miller died at the marvelous age of one hundred and ten years. His wife, Mary (Dunn) Miller, died there, also, at the advanced age of ninety-five years. Both had been lifelong members of the Presbyterian church. Children: 1. Margaret, born in Ireland, died in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania; married Robert Stewart. 2. James, born in Pennsylvania, died in Ohio. 3. David, died in Huntingdon county. 4. Samuel, of whom further. 5. Thomas, died in Huntingdon county. 6. John, a Methodist minister, died in Baltimore, Maryland.

(II) Samuel, third son and fourth child of Matthew and Mary (Dunn) Miller, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, in 1791,

died there 1855. He inherited a large portion of the old homestead and spent his entire life thereon. When his sons attained man's estate he turned the entire care of the farm over to them and a few years later retired. He was a Democrat in politics. He married, October 3, 1816, Charlotte Graffius, born in Huntingdon county, January 31, 1794, died April 11, 1877, daughter of Nicholas, born 1746, died 1822, and Elizabeth Graffius, born 1753, died 1845, natives of Germany, who emigrated about 1800 and settled in Huntingdon county. Children of Samuel and Charlotte (Graffius) Miller: 1. Graffius, a merchant, sheriff, and assistant judge of courts of Huntingdon county; born July 14, 1817, died in Huntingdon, 1885. 2. Matthew, a physician of McAlveys Fort; born March 4, 1819, died December 6, 1884. 3. James, born May 4, 1821, died November 19, 1894. 4. Jacob C., a farmer; born June 10, 1823, died June 9, 1898. 5. John S., a hotel proprietor of Huntingdon; born October 6, 1825. 6. Abraham, a farmer of Huntingdon county; born February, 1828, died September 2, 1895. 7. Benjamin F., a physician; born April 16, 1830, died in Fairmont, West Virginia, January 29, 1855. 8. Samuel, born July 3, 1833, died March 15, 1861. 9. David P., of whom further.

(III) David P., son of Samuel and Charlotte (Graffius) Miller, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, October 6, 1836. Having received a thorough preliminary education, at the age of twenty-six he began the study of medicine in the office of his brother Matthew, later entering Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, whence he was graduated in 1864. Recognizing the great need of surgeons in the military service of that time, he at once enlisted and was stationed as assistant surgeon in a hospital at Washington, D. C. During the winter of 1864-65 he was on duty on a hospital steamer, and was retained until the last patient had been removed from Dupontfield Hospital at City Point, when he entered Columbia College Hospital at Washington, remaining there until July, 1865. Returning to Huntingdon he began practice there, continuing until 1910, when he retired, having completed nearly half a century of continuous and active practice. He was a member of the County, State and American Medical associations, and fraternally is connected with the Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 300, Free and Accepted Masons, and Standing Stone Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. In politics he is a Democrat.

He married, September 20, 1880, Alice C. Anderson, died July, 1897, daughter of John P. and Margaret Anderson, natives of Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. Child of David P. and Alice C. (Anderson) Miller: Charlotta, educated at Gilman school for girls, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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The Watts family, of Belleville, Pennsylvania, descend  
WATTS from the English family of that name that has produced so many men famous in art, science and religion, including Rev. Isaac Watts, an English independent minister and hymn writer, born July 17, 1674; Alaric Alexander Watts, a journalist and poet; George Frederick Watts, a painter and sculptor; Henry Watts, a noted chemist, and others. In the United States a well-known public character was Thomas Hill Watts, born 1819, died 1892, a lawyer and statesman of Alabama. He exerted himself continually to keep his state from seceding, but later joined with the Confederacy and served as colonel of the Seventeenth Regiment, Alabama Infantry, but in 1862 was chosen as attorney-general in the cabinet of Jefferson Davis. In 1863 he was elected governor of Alabama, serving until the close of the war.

The history of this branch begins with Samuel Watts, born in England prior to the year 1700, settling in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, where he followed the occupation of a farmer. He married and reared a family, including a son Thomas.

(II) Thomas, son of Samuel Watts, was born in England, came to Pennsylvania with his father, and became a farmer of Caernarvon township, Lancaster county. He married Maria Snyder, of Swiss parentage, and both died in Lancaster county. Children: 1. George, married and moved to Holmes county, Ohio, where he has descendants. 2. Philip, twice married, moved to the Kishacoquillas Valley, and left two children: Franklin, who became a priest of the Roman Catholic church, and Sarah, who became a Sister of Charity, going to an institute in Paris. 3. Samuel, of whom further. 4. Catherine, married (first) a Mr. Lapp, (second) a Mr. Silknitter.

(III) Samuel (2), son of Thomas and Maria (Snyder) Watts, was born in Fairville, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, June 22, 1822. He was educated in the public school and remained at home as his father's



assistant until 1840, when he came to Belleville to become a clerk in the store of his uncle, Daniel Overholtzer. He continued his studies under private tuition, at the same time, but later returned to his father's home, where he found means to acquire a thorough education, attending the academy at New London Cross Roads, Chester county. There he had as classmates two men later famous in Lancaster county, J. Smith Frithy and Robert Emmet Monaghan. Again he returned home and studied under private tutors at New Holland. He next established a private school near his home, where he taught for several years. In 1844 he began his long and successful career as merchant and financier. He first opened a store at Galtsville, Lancaster county; later established in the flour and feed business at Pottsville, Schuylkill county. In 1850 he exchanged his Pottsville store for that of his uncle, Daniel Overholtzer, in Belleville, Mifflintown, taking possession in 1851. Although starting with little capital, he so used his powers of youth, perseverance, economy and business acumen, that he became one of the most substantial and useful men of his borough. As his business grew he enlarged and expanded in many ways. He was one of the principal organizers of the Kishacoquillas Valley Railroad Company, and aided largely in the construction of that road in 1892, and was its first president. He was also one of the organizers and a charter member of the Kishacoquillas Mutual Fire Insurance Company; charter member of the East Kishacoquillas Turnpike Company; a director and for several years its president. He was one of the leading incorporators of the Reedsville National Bank; its first president, serving until his death. He was also an organizer and president of the Farmer's National Bank of Belleville and of the Citizens' National Bank of Lewistown, filling these responsible positions with honor and credit until his death. He aided in the improvement of Belleville, by the erection of several modern residences, and also made large investments in farm lands in Iowa, South Dakota and Illinois, placing these in charge of his son, Samuel Henry Watts. He abandoned mercantile life in 1895, then devoted himself to the interests of the banking institutions over which he presided. Both he and his wife were devoted members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and generous contributors to all churches, regardless of creed. He was very liberal in his own church and a willing worker. He built the present Methodist Church at Belleville, and presented it to the congre-

gation, and there with them worshiped and labored for the cause of religion until his death. In politics he was an ardent Republican, deeply interested in public affairs, but never sought or accepted office for himself. While Mr. Watts' life was an eminently successful one, he did not gain prominence by favor. He faced many discouragements and difficulties that would have defeated a less resolute, determined man, and fairly won the high standing he attained. When wealth was gained he used it justly, and there was never a man to say it was not fairly won. He aided in every public enterprise presented to him and much of the prosperity of his section of Mifflin county can be traced to his initiative or coöperation. Samuel Watts married, February, 1852, Maria, daughter of John and Margaret (Kurtz) Overholtzer, and granddaughter of Jacob Overholtzer, of Lancaster county. Children: 1. Elizabeth, died October 4, 1854, aged four months. 2. Martin O., deceased. 3. Samuel Henry, now living in Iowa. 4. James Kurtz, a farmer of Belleville, Pennsylvania. 5. Mary Elizabeth, married William H. Oldt, whom she survives. 6. Levi Metzler, a traveling salesman of Belleville, married, October 28, 1896, Sue Stroup, daughter of Samuel and Sue (Stroup) Killian. 7. John, of whom further. 8. Isaac Sturk, educated in the public schools, now member of the firm of Watts Brothers and interested in other Belleville business concerns.

(IV) John, son of Samuel and Maria (Overholtzer) Watts, was born in Belleville, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, November 12, 1866, now member of the firm of Watts Brothers, of Belleville. He was educated in the public school and began business life as clerk in his father's store. In 1895, in company with his brother Isaac, under the firm name Watts Brothers, he succeeded to the mercantile business founded by Daniel Overholtzer and conducted by Samuel Watts since 1851 in Belleville. The business, general merchandise, under their management has prospered and increased, both partners being able, energetic men of affairs. John Watts is also a director of the Farmers' National Bank of Belleville, and interested in other lines of business activity, including the senior membership of the firm Watts & Yoder, extensive grain dealers and millers of Belleville. He is a Republican in politics, but has never accepted public office; belongs to Belleville Lodge, No. 302, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a communicant of Belleville Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Watts is unmarried.

The Vuille family, of Huntingdon, descends from a VUILLE French Huguenot ancestor who fled to Switzerland when religious liberty was denied him in France by the revocation of the Edict of Nantes. This record dates to Onesime Vuille, a descendant of the French Huguenot emigrant. Onesime Vuille was a watchmaker, and had a shop at Locle, in that part known as French Switzerland. He was active in military affairs and was a leader in the demonstration against Napoleon when he attempted to invade Switzerland. For his courage and determined stand he was presented with a medal by his grateful countrymen. He married Louise Emma Rosalie Perrnoud; children: Paul Emile, of further mention; Marie, married James Geneell, and resides at Lausanne, Switzerland; Elise, married Herman Vuille, came to the United States and settled in New York City and had children now living on Staten Island, New York.

(II) Paul Emile, son of Onesime Vuille, was born in Locle, Switzerland, was there educated, grew to manhood, and married. In 1881 he came to the United States, settling first in New York City. He later resided in Watertown and Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin, finally settling in Greentown, Pennsylvania, where he died. He was an expert watchmaker and the inventor of several attachments to watches that gave him a high standing in his trade. For many years he was connected with the Waltham Watch Company, and ranked as one of the masters in the delicate art he practiced. He became a naturalized citizen of the United States, and acted with the Republican party. Both he and his wife were members of the French Evangelical church (Presbyterian). He married (first) in Switzerland, Elise Girard, born in that country, died in the United States, in 1883. He married (second) Lisa Perrett, who for several years was instructor to the present Czar of Russia and his brothers and sisters. Children by first wife: 1. Emile, now residing in Greentown, Pike county, Pennsylvania, on the old Vuille homestead farm; he is a prosperous farmer, prominent in political life and in educational work. 2. Amelia, married Paul Heine, cashier of the banking firm of Müller, Schall & Company, No. 44 Wall street, New York City, a large and prominent German banking house; they reside at Stapleton, Staten Island, New York, and have five children. 3. Emma, married Albert M. Price, and resides at Bushkill Falls, Pike county, Pennsylvania. 4. Charles A., of whom further.

(III) Charles A., youngest son of Paul Emile and Elise (Girard) Vuille, was born in Locle, Switzerland, July 12, 1876. He was brought to the United States by his parents in 1881, and obtained a good English education in the schools of Hoboken, New Jersey, and New York City. He then took a course at the College of Arts, in Berlin, Germany, and on his return to the United States entered the Illinois College of Photography, at Effingham, Illinois. He practiced the latter art at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, from 1890 until 1898 with success, but with the coming of the automobile became interested in that business. He first was a dealer in steam-driven cars, but with the development of the gas engine obtained the first county license to operate a gasoline-driven car ever issued in Pennsylvania. He obtained an agency for gasoline cars and entered that field, in which he was a pioneer, as he had been in the earlier steam car, both as driver and dealer. His first garage was a small building in the rear of No. 819 Washington street, where he remained ten years, selling in the first years two or three cars annually. Sales then rapidly increased until by 1908 he was selling one hundred cars annually. In 1908 he erected a modern garage and salesrooms, fifty by one hundred and twenty-five feet, at Nos. 609 and 611 Mifflin street, where he is now located. Since 1902 he has been the direct representative of the Cadillac car, which he now handles exclusively, being the third oldest dealer in the Cadillac organization. His territory covers the counties of Huntingdon, Blair, Mifflin, Center, Snyder, Juniata and Fulton, to cover which requires the services of ten men. His garage in Huntingdon is one of the largest and best equipped of any located between Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, and is the official "blue book" garage. Mr. Vuille is a capable business man, thoroughly understands the automobile, and is held in high esteem by all who know him. He is a member of Brevard Lodge, No. 113, Free and Accepted Masons; India River Chapter, No. 27, Royal Arch Masons; the Knights of Pythias; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Patriotic Order of Sons of America, and Royal Arcanum. He is a Republican in politics, and a Presbyterian in religious faith; his wife is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. He has never accepted public office, but is interested in public affairs and a warm friend of the cause of education. Himself a highly educated man, and speaking five languages, he realizes the benefits of education to a business man, as well as to the





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professional man. A pioneer in the automobile business in the Juniata Valley, he led where others are now eager to follow, but, with a firmly established reputation for honorable dealing, he now reaps the reward of his enterprise, far-sighted vision, and belief in a business held in low esteem when he first ventured into it.

During the Spanish-American war, in 1898, Mr. Vuille enlisted as a member of Company A, Fifth Illinois Regiment, and served to the close of the war. He reenlisted in Company A, Fifth Regiment, Pennsylvania National Guards, and was commissary sergeant.

Mr. Vuille married, June 5, 1901, Juniata E. Eby, born in Huntingdon county, daughter of Samuel Eby, a prominent member of the German Baptist church, and for many years a trustee of Juniata College. Children: Alice, born August 16, 1903; Ruth, April 16, 1905; Samuel, August 12, 1907; James, March 16, 1909.

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The founder of this branch of the Beers family in Pennsylvania was Andrew Beers, a native of Ireland, where his early life was spent. After his marriage he came to the United States, settling near Concord, in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, there engaged in farming. After the death of his wife he returned to Ireland, where he married (second) a Miss Anderson, whom he brought back to Franklin county with him. He had issue by both wives, and founded a numerous influential family.

(II) Joseph B., youngest son of Andrew Beers and his second wife, was born near Concord, Franklin county, Pennsylvania, in 1816, died in Marysville, Perry county, December 2, 1889. He attended the common schools of that neighborhood, and grew to manhood on the home farm, and learned the art of tanning leather. After his marriage he moved to Horse Valley, Toboyne township, Perry county, where he purchased a tract of three hundred acres, seventy-five of which was cleared. He remained on his farm until 1863, cleared the balance of his acres, erected new buildings, and prospered. In 1863 he moved to New Bloomfield, Perry county, where for one year he was engaged as a tanner with S. A. Peale. In 1864 he moved to McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where for about three years he engaged in the tanning business with Samuel Myers. He then became owner of some excellent medical formulas, and for eighteen years was successfully en-

gaged in the manufacture of "patent medicines." His best-known preparation was "Beers' Famous American Liniment," widely known in the Juniata and Susquehanna valleys as a sovereign remedy for colds, headaches, etc. Later in life he retired and spent his declining years with his son, John W. Beers, in Marysville, Pennsylvania. Both he and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. In politics he was an ardent Republican, but never accepted public office.

Mr. Beers married, in Perry county, Anna Kelley, born in Franklin county, July 23, 1817, died at the residence of her son in Marysville, March 1, 1895, daughter of John and Margaret Kelley. John Kelley was born on the Isle of Jersey, one of the group of islands lying in the English channel off the northwest coast of France. He came to the United States, settling in Horse Valley, Perry county, Pennsylvania, where he became a landowning farmer. He was a strict member of the Presbyterian church, and every Sunday walked the five miles from his home to the nearest church of his faith. His wife, a Miss Scyoc, bore him eight children, all now deceased. Children of Joseph W. and Anna Beers: 1. Andrew Jackson, born October 19, 1846, now residing near McVeytown, Mifflin county, a farmer. 2. John Wesley, of whom further. 3. Margaret E., born March 26, 1851, died August 29 following. 4. Joseph Alexander, born March 1, 1853; a tool sharpener with the Pressed Steel Car Company, now residing at McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania. 5. Sarah E., born September 13, 1855, died September 18, 1856. 6. Cambridge Graham, born November 2, 1857, now residing in Sunbury, Pennsylvania; a railroad engineer.

(III) John Wesley, second son of Joseph B. and Anna (Kelley) Beers, was born in Horse Valley, Toboyne township, Perry county, Pennsylvania, December 27, 1848. He was educated in the public schools of the township, and Bloomfield Academy. About 1864 he began business life as a newsboy on the trains, then became interested in telegraphy, but, after learning that art and working for the Pennsylvania railroad for a time, abandoned it for a clerkship in a general store at Mattawana, Mifflin county. In 1869 he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad at Altoona, first as a laborer, but soon becoming foreman in the maintenance of way department. On July 5, 1870, he was transferred to Marysville as foreman of the quarry owned by the company. In 1872 he was sent to Bedford, Pennsylvania, as foreman,



but soon afterward was made conductor of a construction train. On March 1, 1873, he was returned to Marysville as foreman of subdivision No. 4, a position he filled until his resignation, January 1, 1881. In November, 1880, he was elected sheriff of Perry county for a term of three years. At the expiration of his term of office he entered the employ of the Bell Telephone Company, at Marysville, being connected with their suit for patent rights for three years. In 1887 he engaged in the flour, feed and grain business in Marysville, as senior member of the firm of Beers & Heisley. In 1891 he sold his interest in that business, and until 1903 was successfully engaged in lumbering operations in Perry and Dauphin counties. He did a large business, the timber from his mills being largely disposed of to railroad companies. In 1897 he was appointed postmaster at Marysville, and has served under successive appointments until the present time, his present term expiring March 4, 1916. During this period the office has advanced from fourth to third class, and is headquarters for several rural delivery routes.

In July, 1895, Mr. Beers was, with H. M. Horner, one of the incorporators of the Marysville Water Company; was elected its first treasurer and still holds that position. In 1897 he again joined with Mr. Horner in the organization of the Marysville Electric Light, Heat & Power Company, was elected its treasurer and still serves in that capacity. Later Mr. Beers purchased Mr. Horner's interest in both companies. In 1906 he assisted in the organization of the First National Bank of Marysville; was chosen first vice-president, and now holds that office. In 1908 he was one of the organizers of the Eastern Perry County Telephone Company, and since 1909 has been president of that prosperous, growing company.

During his useful, busy life, Mr. Beers has not only been the successful business man, but in public life, in fraternal life, and in the church has borne well his part. In 1877 he made his entrance into public life as the Republican candidate for sheriff of Perry county, losing the verdict at the polls by only nine votes. In 1880 he was again the nominee of his party and was elected. He filled the office well and faithfully, retiring with the good wishes of the judges and court officials with whom much of his business was necessarily transacted. As postmaster for sixteen years he has given abundant satisfaction, both to

the patrons of the office and to the department at Washington. His public service also includes several terms as school director, where his interest in the cause of education has been of value. His fraternal orders are: Perry Lodge, No. 458, Free and Accepted Masons; Newport Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Beulah Lodge, No. 269, Knights of Pythias; and both he and his wife are active members of the Lutheran church.

Mr. Beers married, in Lewistown, Pennsylvania, September 16, 1873, Rebecca E., daughter of Samuel and Martha Kauffman. Children: 1. Joseph C., born November 27, 1874; now a plumber and electrician of Marysville; he married (first) Mattie Rupley, who bore him Leah and John Wesley (2); he married (second) Jennie Sellers, and has a son Ernest. 2. Pearl, born December 4, 1876, who resides with her father, the widow of H. C. Hipple; children: Victoria and Theodore, the latter deceased. 3. Walter B., born October 14, 1879, now living in Conneaut, Ohio, in the employ of the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad Company; he married Virginia Ellenberger, and has a son. 4. Albert W., twin of Walter B., also resides in Conneaut, in the employ of the Nickel Plate railroad; he married Edna Groninger.

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Stephen J. Boyd, of Marysville, Pennsylvania, a member BOYD of an influential and prominent family of the state of Pennsylvania, is of clean Scotch-Irish descent. The emigrant member who founded the family in America was born in county Antrim, Ireland, about 1690, and about 1730 sailed with his family to the New World, landing most probably in New York. He later made his way into Pennsylvania, and there lived and died. He was of staunch Presbyterian stock, and it was perhaps on account of his religious predilections that he left his native land to try his fortunes in a new and wild one. Among his children was John, of whom further is to be found below.

(1) John Boyd, son of the Irish emigrant, was born in county Antrim, Ireland, in 1721. When quite a lad he accompanied his parents and the rest of the family to this country, and with them located in Drumore township, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He was reared on the Boyd farm, which had been reclaimed from the wilderness, and received such education as the times afforded. Like his father, John

Boyd was a farmer, taking up wild land, clearing and improving it. He married a daughter of a neighbor, after which he moved to Peach Bottom township, York county, and there lived and died. Among his children was John Jr., of whom further.

(II) John Boyd Jr., son of John Boyd, was born in Peach Bottom township, York county, Pennsylvania. He was reared on the farm, and remained a farmer throughout his life. He was a soldier of the revolution, being a member of a Pennsylvania regiment of volunteers to join the Continental army, as is duly listed in the roster of the Pennsylvania companies. He was a man of importance in his township and county, was a justice of peace for many years, and, like his forbears, was a staunch member of the Presbyterian church and actively supported it throughout his life. He married Nancy Sample, of an old and distinguished family of York county, Pennsylvania. Among his children was John, of whom further.

(III) John Boyd, son of John and Nancy (Sample) Boyd, was born in York county, Pennsylvania. He was an extensive land owner and a progressive farmer of York county, where he had located on reaching his majority. He was much interested in all matters pertaining to education and religion, and assisted by all means in his power in the establishment of public schools in his township; and he actively supported the Presbyterian church, of which he was a devout and consistent member. During the earlier years of his life he voted with and worked for the Whig party, but on the organization of the Republican party he became one of its most ardent advocates and voted with it until his death. He married Martha J. Farmer, the daughter of a neighbor. Children: 1. Stephen, born in York county, Pennsylvania; a Republican in politics, was nominated and elected to the state legislature on that ticket, where he served his county faithfully and well; was also superintendent of York county, and one of the chief contractors and builders of the Southern Pennsylvania railroad. 2. William, an attorney and civil war veteran; died in 1873. 3. Nathaniel W., of whom further. 4. John C., a veteran of the civil war, a retired farmer in York county. 5. George W., deceased, a physician. 6. Jane, widow of James Luney; lives on homestead.

(IV) Nathaniel W., son of John and Martha J. (Farmer) Boyd, was born June 23, 1843, in Peach Bottom township, York county,

Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public schools of the township, after which he settled on a farm in Peach Bottom township, where he farmed until he was twenty-six years old. Seeking other outlets for his ambition, he founded the *Delta Herald*, in Delta, which he ably conducted for six months as editor and proprietor, at the expiration of which time he disposed of the paper and all his interest in it and accepted the position of assistant civil engineer on the force which surveyed what is now known as the Southern Pennsylvania railroad. He next entered the shops of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, of Steelton, Pennsylvania, to learn the manufacture of railway track appliances, and was soon promoted to the position of foreman of that department. In 1886 he resigned from the Pennsylvania Steel Company and accepted the position of editor of the *Steelton Advocate*, which he held for six months. He organized the Boyd Switch Stand and Signal Company, for the manufacture of automatic switch stands of which he was the inventor and patentee, and became general manager of the company. He disposed of this advantageously in 1889 and moved to Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and became superintendent of the frog and switch works of the Carlisle Manufacturing Company, which was the principal competitor of the Pennsylvania Steel Company. On January 1, 1897, he resigned to devote his entire time and attention to his personal business enterprises, which included the making and putting on the market of twenty patents for railway frogs and switches. Later in the year he accepted the superintendency of the New York Switch and Crossing Works at Hoboken, New Jersey, a position he held until his death, February 2, 1902. He was a Republican, voting with and working for the party. Both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church, and he was a Heptasoph and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. On August 17, 1862, he enlisted in Company I, 130th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was sent to the front. He served until May 22, 1863, and was in the battles of Antietam, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. He married, December 6, 1866, Carrie M. Boyd, a second cousin, born August 4, 1843, in Drumore township, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, daughter of S. W. P. and Mary (McConkey) Boyd. Mrs. Boyd died January 29, 1891. Children: 1. Stephen J., of whom further. 2. Blanche I., died aged eleven. 3. William B., an attorney at Steelton, and member of Dauphin bar. 4. Har-



vey H., employed by United States government; resides in Washington, D. C. 5. Frank, died in infancy.

S. W. P. Boyd, father of Carrie M. Boyd, wife of Nathaniel W. Boyd, is also a descendant of the Scotch-Irish emigrant who landed on these shores in 1730. He was a man of influence and great prominence in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He was a Republican, and was elected on that ticket, by an overwhelming majority, sheriff of Lancaster. He was a large land owner and had a number of farms on which he raised stock for the market. Both he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church. He married Mary McConkey, of an old Pennsylvania family. Children: 1. Jerry, a merchant in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. 2. Anna, deceased; married George Steineford. 3. Ida, married Kirk White, of Lancaster county. 4. Slater, clerk of court of Philadelphia county. 5. John O., deceased, a physician. 6. Harry, clerk in Pennsylvania Steel Company, Steelton, Pennsylvania. 7. Carrie M., married Nathaniel W. Boyd (see above). 8. Mary Paulina, married Charles Powers, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

(V) Stephen J., son of Nathaniel W. and Carrie M. (Boyd) Boyd, was born June 27, 1869, in Delta, York county, Pennsylvania. He received his education in the public schools and the high school at Steelton, Pennsylvania. Having finished, he was employed in his father's frog and switch enterprises until the death of the latter. He was employed by the switch department of the Pennsylvania Steel Company from 1899 until June 22, 1912, when he severed his connection with that company and moved to Marysville, Pennsylvania, where he purchased the Railroad Hotel, of which he has since been proprietor. He is considered one of the best hotel men in that part of the state, and through his unfailing courtesy and geniality always has the nineteen rooms filled with guests, both transient and permanent. It was established about forty years ago, though the present building is new and up-to-date in every respect. He is a Republican, and served on the Steelton borough council for a time. He was reared a Presbyterian, but is not a member of the church. He is a Heptasoph, a charter member of the Steelton Club, and of the Knights of Pythias.

He married, May 28, 1891, Pauline K. Dress, born in Dauphin county. Children: Nathaniel W., a graduate of the Steelton High School; Julia D.

The earliest ancestor of this family in Pennsylvania was KNOX Exeter Knox, a blacksmith, who with his family resided at Blairs Mills, in Huntingdon county; by his wife Elizabeth he had five children, three sons, all of whom grew to maturity and married; and two daughters who remained unmarried. They were: John, of further mention; James, married Elizabeth Smith; Robert, married Mary Ann Sherer; Sallie and Ranie. The family was of Scotch descent.

(II) John, son of Exeter and Elizabeth Knox, was the eldest child of the family, and was born at Blairs Mills, Huntingdon county, where his parents resided for many years. He grew to maturity and became a blacksmith, like his father, passing all of his life on the place, and eventually dying there. He married Jean Briggs, also a resident of the county, and like himself a descendant of Scottish forefathers. They had a family of fifteen children, two of whom died young; the remaining thirteen were: James, married Cassius Zimmerman; Ellen, married Sol Pertney; Elizabeth, married George Hutchen; Sarah, unmarried; John, of further mention; Nannie, married Jacob Keller; Mariah, married John Phillips; Margaret, married George Amy; Robert, married Nannie Ray; Julia, married John Stall; Henry, married Maggie Hutchen; Alexander, married Sukie Wake; Pamela.

(III) John, son of John and Jean (Briggs) Knox, was born at Blairs Mills, and died October 4, 1907, at Lewistown, Mifflin county. He commenced life as a blacksmith, learning the trade with his father and working with him. Later on, however, he gave up this calling and became a laborer, removing to Lewistown about 1890 or 1891. He served about three years in the civil war, and was in politics a Democrat. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, as was also his wife, who was a Miss Mary J. Kennedy; she was born also in Juniata county, near Blairs Mills, and was the daughter of James and Ruth (Kerald) Kennedy, of that county, of which they were natives and where they lived and died. Mr. Kennedy was a millwright, he and his wife having eight children: David, married Malie Griffin; John, married Lizzie Snipe; William, married Lizzie Smith; Smith, married Mary Vocum; Mary J., married John Knox; Margaret, married Samuel Elem; Sarah, married Sullivan Rambler; James, killed during the civil war. Mr. and Mrs. Knox had the following children: Jennie, married John

Commer, a railroad conductor of Altoona, Pennsylvania; Lucy, married William Rush, a carpenter and farmer of Granville, formerly of Altoona; George, of further mention; John, married Maggie Roades, of Altoona; Robert, became minister of the Methodist church in Huntingdon county, and married Nannie Barrick; Maud, married Charley Roundtray, a landlord and butcher at State College; Nanny, married Harry Price, a mechanic at Lewistown; Adolphus, a heater at Altoona, married Mollie Steinbarger; Homer, married Pearl Berlew, and became a Methodist minister at Lewistown; William, an iron worker at Altoona, married Sadie Clinger.

(IV) George, son of John and Mary J. (Kennedy) Knox, was born December 5, 1869, at McVeytown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He worked on the farm as a boy and young man, receiving his education meanwhile in the district schools. At the conclusion of his studies he became a contractor and merchant, engaging also in lumbering and milling; of late years he has devoted his time and energies chiefly to contracting and building. He has met with great success in his various business ventures, and owns a great deal of real estate and other property, having a number of farms which aggregate in all about five or six hundred acres. He has become one of the leading citizens of this place, and is influential in the Republican party, whose principles he warmly advocates. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Granville, as is also his wife.

He was married, May 27, 1891, to Miss Eliza Rittenhouse, who was born March 22, 1871, the daughter of George and Susan (Owens) Rittenhouse; her father is a farmer of Granville township. Mr. and Mrs. Knox have had the following children: Florence, born July 11, 1892, died January 4, 1896; Charles, born November 29, 1893, died in infancy; Bertha, born June 7, 1894; Cartie, March 4, 1897; Anna, August 5, 1899; John, August 29, 1902; Lorna, June 2, 1904, died in August; Mary, October 5, 1906; Ruth, August 2, 1909, died in infancy.

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This branch of the Snyder family traces to a German SNYDER ancestor, who on coming to this country settled in Perry county, Pennsylvania. He there engaged in farming until his death. He married and had issue, including a son George.

(II) George Snyder was born in Liverpool, Perry county, Penn-

sylvania, and died there, after a long life of usefulness. He learned the saddler's trade, also the art of tanning leather. He built a tannery, operated in part by steam, in the operation of which he was assisted by his son, Henry. He prospered in business and held high rank in his community. He married Matilda Spicer, and had issue: Henry Clay, of further mention; Simeon, a lawyer, who practiced in the west; John, a captain in the civil war, wounded at Fredericksburg, now deceased.

(III) Henry Clay, son of George and Matilda (Spicer) Snyder, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public school, and for several years was associated with his father in the tannery, and later conducted the same business for himself. He developed considerable talent as a musician and was locally famed as a teacher as well as a performer. He enlisted in the United States signal corps during the civil war, rose to the rank of captain, and served until the war closed. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and his funeral services were conducted by U. S. Grant Post, of Chicago. He married (first) Emma Huggins, (second) Laura Jane, sister of his first wife; they were daughters of John Huggins, of Liverpool, Pennsylvania, who also had sons: Charles, now living in Chicago, and Thomas, who settled further west. His third daughter, Kate, married John Dietrick, a blacksmith, of Liverpool, and a civil war veteran. Laura Jane (Huggins) Snyder survived her husband and was for many years postmistress at Liverpool. Children of second wife: Charles H., of whom further; George, now a railroad employee, living in Philadelphia. By his first wife he had a daughter Annie, who died young.

(IV) Charles H., son of Henry Clay and Laura Jane (Huggins) Snyder, was born in Liverpool, Perry county, Pennsylvania, September 18, 1877. He was educated in the public schools, and for several years was in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad. In the year 1900 he built and equipped a shirt factory at Liverpool, beginning with a few machines and employees. He prospered from the first and has continually added to his equipment and force of workers until he now employs about sixty-five persons. His goods are well established in the market, the demand therefor at times exceeding the supply. His plant is modern and well conducted, Mr. Snyder giving his entire time and energy to its operation and to the two farms he owns nearby. He is a member of



Lock Haven Lodge, No. 199, Free and Accepted Masons; Corinthian Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; the Commandery, Knights Templar; Lulu Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (Philadelphia), and Lock Haven Lodge, No. 182, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In political faith he is a Republican, and in religion is a Methodist.

He married, June 12, 1902, Mary E., daughter of O. D. and Frances Wingert—he a merchant of Millerstown, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder have one child, Frances Louise, born April 16, 1905.

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Robert Bruce Zimmerman, of Mifflintown, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, typifies a successful American of the best type. Of good old stock,

that has been planted in Pennsylvania for many generations, he is a part of the state, as well as county life. The original immigrant ancestor was from Germany, but the family records do not give his name. Like so many of his countrymen, he located in Pennsylvania, lived and died there, a tiller of the soil.

(I) Jacob Zimmerman, a descendant of the above mentioned immigrant, was born in Northumberland county, Pennsylvania. He married Jane Pratt Irwin, the daughter of a neighboring farmer. He came with his family to Juniata county in the early fifties, and was a post fence maker for a railroad company, and later moved to Perry county, now Newport, about 1881, where he died. His wife died in Juniata county in 1850. Among his children was Nathan H., of whom further.

(II) Nathan H., son of Jacob and Jane Pratt (Irwin) Zimmerman, was born in Perry county in 1821. He was educated in Perry county and came to Juniata county with his parents. Leaving school, he was apprenticed to a tanner and learned the trade thoroughly with Robert Moore, following that occupation until within a few years of his death, which occurred in March, 1886. He married Caroline Sample, born in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, in 1821, near Greenwood, died July 4, 1892. They were both members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Children: 1. Robert Bruce, of whom further. 2. Thomas Irwin, of Altoona, Pennsylvania. 3. Rebecca Jane, married William E. Brown, of Milroy. 4. Rachel Elizabeth, died at the age of eighteen. 5. Lydia Ann, married Isaac Frymoyer, of Ephrata, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. 6. Sarah Catherine, married John Parker, of Montana.

(III) Robert Bruce, son of Nathan H. and Caroline (Sample) Zimmerman, was born May 19, 1850, at Oakland, Fayette township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania. He was reared on the farm and was educated in the public schools of the township and in a private seminary. He farmed many years, and purchased one hundred and twelve acres which he brought up to a high state of fertility and productiveness. He is an ardent Republican, and was elected on that ticket in 1909 as sheriff of Juniata county. During his incumbency of the office he has given universal satisfaction to his constituency. He moved, January 1, 1910, to Mifflintown, Juniata county, where he now resides. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married, January 23, 1878, Ada J. Ranck, born in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, in 1859, a daughter of Phillip and Nancy (Hawk) Ranck, of Juniata county. They have one son, Banks A., who was educated in the public schools, and on leaving took up the occupation of farming. He married Katherine Calhoun, daughter of ex-Sheriff James P. Calhoun, of Juniata county, of one of the prominent families of that section of the state; children: Mildred, James D., Gladys, Ira Brown, Robert Banks, Paul, and Samuel Franklin.

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The Moses family is very widely distributed throughout MOSES the United States, there scarcely being a state in the Union that has not one or more of the name within its borders. It has also furnished a number of bright men to the country, among whom may be mentioned Governor Moses, of South Carolina, who made history for that state during the reconstruction period soon after the civil war. Also, Bernard Moses, an educator, writer and ripe scholar, who is the author, among other works, of "The Federal Government of Switzerland," which is generally accepted as a guide book by political students.

It is a matter of actual record that as far back as 1647 there were three New England colonists bearing the name of John Moses: one lived at Plymouth, one at Portsmouth, and the third at Windsor. From these three came the numerous families of the same name in this country. In 1660 John Moses was a juryman in Portsmouth, and Benoni Moses, his son, was a soldier, his name appearing in the Lexington Alarm list. The name is to be found frequently in the rosters of the



*R.B. Zimmerman*





companies furnished to the Continental army by the various colonies, both north and south. It is more than probable that the Moses family in Pennsylvania descended from John Moses, of Windsor, as he is thought to have come to America from Switzerland by way of England. A descendant of his settled in Philadelphia in 1750, and later located near Landisburg, Perry county, Pennsylvania. Here he warranted a tract of land, which he cleared and improved, and erected a house for his family. He was also an iron worker, and helped cast some of the cannon that were used so effectively against the British during the revolutionary war. He lived to an advanced age, highly respected for his many sterling qualities by his neighbors and friends. Among his children was Simeon, of whom further.

(II) Simeon, son of John Moses, and great-great-great-grandson of John Moses, was born near Landisburg, Perry county, Pennsylvania. It is supposed that he was afforded the best facilities for obtaining an education to be had in that day, as it is proverbial that the Swiss seek, even under the most adverse circumstances, to give their children educations. He is known to have been a farmer, and most probably purchased a part of the land warranted by his father. He married Miss Heckendorn, like himself of Swiss extraction, and they were both members of the Lutheran church. Children: 1. Joseph. 2. Andrew. 3. Samuel H., of whom further. 4. Daniel. 5. A son who moved to Louisiana, and there founded the Moses family, among the best known in the state. 6. Fannie, married Mr. Roush. 7. Julia, married William Isenberg. 8. Mrs. Miller.

(III) Samuel H., son of Simeon and — (Heckendorn) Moses, was born near Landisburg, Perry county, Pennsylvania, in 1830, and died February 17, 1906. He married Mary A. Wade, born in 1832, died May 13, 1908, daughter of — and Annie (Foult) Wade; the former died when Mary A. was one year old and his widow married a Mr. Goss. Mr. Wade was a shoemaker in Wheatfield township, Perry county, Pennsylvania, where he died. Children by first marriage: 1. Catherine Wade, married John Depew, a shoemaker, of Duncannon. 2. Mary A., married Samuel H. Moses. Children by second marriage: 1. William Goss. 2. Lawrence Goss. 3. Mrs. Joseph Fleming, of Altoona, Pennsylvania. 4. Mrs. John Parson, of Duncannon. 5. Mrs. David Rice, of Duncannon. 6. Mrs. John Phillips, of Wooster, Ohio.

Mr. Moses was educated in the common country schools. As a youth he learned the cabinetmaker's trade, and on reaching man's estate he engaged in that vocation, making many of the handsomest pieces of furniture found in the homes of that day and section. With cabinet-making he combined undertaking, and by the dual occupation succeeded in accumulating a nice estate. He lived and died at Duncannon. He was a Republican in politics, working for the party at every election. Both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church, and he belonged to the Lutheran company, was a generous supporter of the church, and one of its trustees. Children: 1. Name unknown. 2. Elmira, married A. P. Nickel, of New Bloomfield. 3. Carrie E., married R. M. Coy, ticket agent at Lewistown Junction. 4. Charles Grant, of whom further. 5. Minnie, married Professor J. L. Bucke, living in Duncannon. Several children died in infancy.

(IV) Charles Grant Moses, son of Samuel H. and Mary A. (Wade) Moses, was born August 22, 1868, in Duncannon, Pennsylvania. He attended the public school in Duncannon, and later entered the Eastman Business College, graduating therefrom in 1887. He at once became associated with his father in his business. Since the death of his father he has introduced a line of furniture, and has one of the handsomest establishments in Duncannon. In politics he follows the family tendency, and is a Republican; and attends the Lutheran church. Mr. Moses ranks as one of the most progressive and up-to-date business men of his native town.

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The Kauffmans of the Juniata Valley are a very prominent and widely distributed family, who have intermarried among themselves and the best families of the surrounding country until the connection is one of the widest in this portion of the state. They are probably all descended from the immigrant, Michael Kauffman, who with his family came from the vicinity of Greenstad, Hesse, on the Upper Rhine, some time between the years 1710 and 1719, and settled in this region. Michael died a few years after his arrival, leaving a widow who survived but a comparatively short time. Two children, a son John and a daughter Elizabeth, remained, whose guardian bought of William Penn's commissioner a considerable tract of land in the locality now known as Landisville,

Lancaster county, where John Kauffman took up his abode. All that is known of Elizabeth is that she was married to Christian Stoneman, December 12, 1734. John Kauffman had three sons: Christian, Michael and John. This last John Kauffman lived on the farm now owned by Samuel Nissley, about a mile from Landisville, where he died March 24, 1776. His widow died December 22, 1806. They had nine children who reached maturity and married: Mary, Anna, Christian, Barbara, John, Michael, Elizabeth, David, Isaac; two, Anna and Susanna, died in youth. Michael, the third son, who was born in 1767, near Landisville, became a physician after removing to Manheim, where he was first engaged with his brother John in the hardware business. He was a man of considerable prominence, and in 1831 was elected to the house of representatives, being re-elected the following year; he died in 1839, at Manheim.

(I) Christian Kauffman, from whom the branch of the family now under consideration was descended, was a farmer and land owner, being an early settler in Walker township.

(II) John, son of Christian Kauffman, was born in Juniata county, where he grew to maturity, becoming a farmer like his father. He owned over a hundred acres of land to which he devoted his attention, and passed a quiet and industrious life, respected by all who knew him. He was a Republican in politics, and a member, as was also his wife, of the Lutheran church; he died at the age of seventy-six years. His wife, who was a Miss Sarah Cargill before her marriage, was also a native of Juniata county, dying at the age of fifty-five years; her husband survived her but never married again. Children: Harry, died on the homestead; Margaret, widow of Watson Crimmel, a soldier of the civil war, lives in Mifflin; James, of further mention; Christian, a farmer, died in Walker township; Alton, resides at Los Angeles, California, unmarried; Frank, lives in Illinois; Clara, married Albert Otto, and lives in Indianapolis, Indiana; Joseph, lives in Los Angeles, California; Mary, married John Dobbs, and died; three remaining children died in infancy.

(III) James, son of John and Sarah (Cargill) Kauffman, was born in Walker township, December 14, 1848. He passed his earlier years in Walker, and upon attaining manhood resided for a while at Fermaugh; he however returned to Walker township, where he purchased a farm

of thirty acres in extent, and here passed the remainder of his life, dying October 28, 1908. As a youth of nineteen he made an attempt to enlist as a soldier in the civil war, but his father objected on account of his immaturity, and prevailed upon him to relinquish the idea. Mr. Kauffman was a Democrat in his political convictions, but was never a prominent politician or an officeholder. He was at one time a member of the I. O. O. F. On January 5, 1875, he was married in Walker township to Miss Mary Clack, who was born February 4, 1857, in the township. She survived her husband, and is still living on the old homestead. She was a daughter of William and Annie (Kauffman) Clack, both natives of Juniata county. William Clack, who was a shoemaker all his life, was born in Fermaugh township, settling after his marriage, in 1851, in Walker township. He was a Republican in politics, and belonged, as did also his wife, to the River Brethren church. He died about the year 1901. Mrs. Clack, who was born in Walker township, died in April, 1900, but a short time prior to the death of her husband. She was the daughter of Jonathan and Nancy (Runk) Kauffman, who were early settlers of Fermaugh township, where they grew to maturity and were married, living many years subsequently in the place. Mr. Jonathan Kauffman owned land in Walker township and was a prosperous farmer. Mr. and Mrs. Clack had in all eight children: Mary, who became Mrs. James Kauffman; Susanna, widow of Winfield Suloff, living at Denholm, Pennsylvania; Sarah, married (first) James Depew, (second) David Zimmerman, and now lives in Milford township; Anna, married Albert Miller, and lives in Union county; John, lives in Walker township; Clara, married Fred Lauffer and died; William, a railroad man in Mifflintown; Minnie, married Earl Leyder and lives in Walker township. William Clack was a son of David and Susanna (Walter) Clack, who were natives of Lancaster and Chester counties respectively. They married and removed to Juniata county, settling in Fermaugh township, where he followed the trade of shoemaker until he removed finally to McAllisterville, where he died; his wife died in Walker township. Mr. and Mrs. James Kauffman had nine children: Sarah, married William Ellis, a blacksmith, and resides in Fermaugh township; Theorous, of further mention; Milton, went west; Annie, died in infancy; Eleanor, lives with her mother; Rena, died in infancy; Ella, unmarried; Mabel, resides at home; Clara, resides at home.



(IV.) Theorous Kauffman, son of James and Mary (Clack) Kauffman, was born in Walker township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, on February 18, 1877. He received his education in the county schools and grew to maturity on his father's farm. On September 14, 1900, when he was twenty-three years of age, he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and has remained with them ever since, having been promoted to the position of engineer, the position which he now holds, on August, 1907. His work for the company has been eminently satisfactory in every respect, and by his industry and economy he has succeeded in accumulating considerable means, so that in May, 1906, he invested his savings in a farm of one hundred and five acres in extent in Walker. He erected new buildings on his property and conducts a stock and chicken farm, breeding full-blooded Holstein cattle, Poland China hogs, and Buff Orphington chickens. All of the stock raised by Mr. Kauffman is of the best breeds and full-blooded, and he has won for himself a name in the surrounding country for the excellence of his farm products.

In politics Mr. Kauffman is a Republican. He has never desired public office, contenting himself to lend his voice to the selection of those officials whom he deems will best serve the country's needs. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias, the Patriotic Order of the Sons of America, and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen. On May 15, 1911, Mr. Kauffman was married to Miss Annie Gertrude Sieber, a native of Juniata county, and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. She is the daughter of Gideon and Rebecca (Trego) Sieber, both parents also having been born in Juniata county, where they made their home, and where her mother died October 19, 1891. Her father, who has been a farmer, now lives in Fermaugh township; he is a Republican and a member of the Dunkard church, his wife having been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. They had four children: Grace Mary, residing at home; Annie Gertrude, now Mrs. Kauffman; Thaddens Banks, and Oscar Lee, both at home. Mrs. Kauffman's paternal grandparents were Jonas and Barbara Sieber, her grandfather having removed to Fermaugh township from Berkshire county, settling later in Walker, where he owned two farms and where he ultimately died. Mrs. Kauffman's mother was a daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth Trego, Mr. Trego having removed from Chester county to Juniata county, making

his residence in Fayette township. He was a farmer, and lived a quiet and useful life, dying in Fayette township.

Mr. and Mrs. Theorous Kauffman have one son, Maxwell Sieber, born December 18, 1912.

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The Marshalls of Newport, Pennsylvania, descend from an illustrious English family that were long seated in Derbyshire, England. A member of this family was Abraham Marshall, the distinguished botanist and horticulturist, who came from Gratton parish, Derbyshire, in 1700, and settled in West Bradford, Chester county, Pennsylvania. John Marshall, the celebrated chief justice of the United States Supreme Court, was also related to this family.

John Marshall, the American emigrant, was born in Derbyshire, England, Elton parish, from whence he came to Pennsylvania in 1686. He first located and lived for a year in Blockley township, Philadelphia county, then moved to a farm in Darby township, Delaware county, Pennsylvania (then Chester county). He was a member of Darby meeting, Society of Friends, and his marriage, 10 mo. 19, 1688, to Sarah, daughter of Thomas Smith, was the first solemnized in that meeting. John Marshall died 9 mo. 13, 1729; his widow 5 mo. 16, 1749. Children: 1. John, born 6 mo. 16, 1690, died 8 mo. 4, 1749, married (first) Joanna Paschall, (second) a widow, Eleanor Shenton. 2. William, born 2 mo. 11, 1692, died 1727, married Mary Sellers. 3. Thomas (of whom further).

(II) Thomas, youngest son of John and Sarah (Smith) Marshall, was born in Darby township, Delaware county, Pennsylvania, 12 mo. 10, 1694. He was a farmer, and settled in Concord township, Delaware county, but then Chester county. He married Hannah, daughter of Benjamin and Ann (Pennell) Mendenhall. He died in 1741, and his widow married (second) Peter Grubb. Thomas and Hannah Marshall had nine children, of whom John (2) was the eighth.

(III) John (2), son of Thomas and Hannah (Mendenhall) Marshall, was born in Concord township, then Chester county, Pennsylvania, 11 mo. 22, 1734. In 1765 he moved to Kennett township, Chester county, where he became an extensive land owner and proprietor of a grist and saw mill. He and his family were members of Hockessin

meeting, and of Kennett monthly meeting; he died 11 mo. 30, 1815. He married (first) Hannah, daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Hickman) James, of Westtown. Until the death of his wife in 1764, John Marshall lived in Birmingham township. He married (second), 4 mo. 27, 1768, Susanna Lamborn, born 4 mo. 7, 1749, died 3 mo. 3, 1839, daughter of Robert and Ann (Bourne) Lamborn. Children of first wife: Mary, married William Phillips; Martha, died unmarried. Children of second wife: Thomas, born 4 mo. 22, 1769, died 2 mo. 2, 1851, married Sarah Gregg; Robert, of whom further; William, born 5 mo. 26, 1773, died young; Hannah, born 1 mo. 7, 1775, died 1 mo. 21, 1857, married John Yeaman; Ann, born 8 mo. 22, 1778, died 5 mo. 26, 1862, married John Scarlett; Martha, born 8 mo. 20, 1780, died 1 mo. 3, 1811, unmarried; William, born 7 mo. 30, 1784, died 1859, married Margaret McCammon.

(IV) Robert, son of John (2) Marshall and his second wife, Susanna Lamborn, was born in Kennett township, Chester county, 9 mo. 15, 1771, died there in 1869. He inherited the paternal homestead farm in Kennett, and also operated the first grist mill there. He married, 11 mo. 22, 1804, Mary Hoopes, born 3 mo. 16, 1781, died 7 mo. 30, 1847, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Bane) Hoopes, of Goshen, Chester county; children: Caleb H., of whom further; John, born 10 mo. 7, 1808, died 5 mo. 23, 1885, married (first) Sarah Phillips, (second) Mary Harlan; Martha, born 8 mo. 1, 1810, married Thomas Hannum; Abner, born 8 mo. 27, 1814, married Ann Eliza Pyle; Thomas, born 3 mo. 18, 1818, died 3 mo. 6, 1887, married Mary Way. Thomas was a miller and successfully operated the mill at Kennett for many years. In 1856 he began the manufacture of paper, establishing the large plant later operated by his sons, T. Elwood and Israel W. Marshall.

(V) Caleb H., eldest son of Robert and Mary (Hoopes) Marshall, was born on the old homestead in Kennett, Chester county, Pennsylvania, 9 mo. 11, 1806, died 12 mo. 16, 1888. He operated the grist mill in Kennett until his removal to Mill Creek hundred, New Castle county, Delaware. There in partnership with his brother John he engaged in the iron business at the present site of Marshalltown, Delaware, named in their honor. The brothers conducted a large business until 1863, when Caleb H. moved to Philadelphia, where they had previously established a plant, known as the Penn Treaty Iron Works,

erected on the land where William Penn held his deliberations with the Indians and where the famous treaty was signed. In 1878 he sold his interest in the business to his sons, Wilmer W., Alfred and J. Howard Marshall, whom he had previously admitted as partners. Caleb H. was a member of the Society of Friends, and a wise, capable man of affairs. He married Jane Thompson, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Reed) Thompson, of Mill Creek hundred, Delaware; children: 1. Wilmer W., of whom further. 2. Alfred, born October 29, 1848; member of the firm of Marshall Brothers & Company, and a prominent man of affairs, now living in Langhorne Manor, Bucks county, Pennsylvania; he married Florence Virginia Mather. 3. Sarah, died young. 4. J. Howard, junior member of the firm of Marshall Brothers & Company; died in Philadelphia, 5 mo. 23, 1885.

Jane (Thompson) Marshall, the mother of these children, was a descendant of Thomas and Elizabeth Thompson, of Yorkshire, England, where Thomas was born, in Kirkfenton parish. In 1658 he moved to Ireland with his wife and two sons, John and Andrew, locating in the parish of Donard, county Wicklow, where both died; children: John, of whom further; Andrew, married in county Wicklow, in 1664, Isabel Marshall, and had Elizabeth, William and Andrew, all born in Ireland.

John, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Thompson, was born in Yorkshire, England, in 1635, moved to county Wicklow, Ireland, with his parents in 1658, and there married, in 1665, Jane, daughter of Thomas Humble, who had then lately moved to Ireland from county Durham. Four children were born to John and Jane Thompson in Ireland, and on 9 mo. 16, 1677, John, his brother Andrew and their families, sailed on the ship "Mary," arriving at Salem, New Jersey, 12 mo. 22, 1677. There they joined the Fenwick Colony, and there John died in 1715.

James, son of John and Jane Thompson, was born in county Wicklow, Ireland, 8 mo., 1668, came to America with his parents in 1677, settled in Salem county, New Jersey, where he died in 1712, leaving five children. He married, in October, 1700, Ann, daughter of Valentine and Ann (Calvert) Hollingsworth, of New Castle, Delaware.

James (2), youngest son of James and Ann Marshall, was born in Salem county, New Jersey, 8 mo. 26, 1712. His father died the same year and he was reared under his mother's care. On arriving at man-



hood he settled in Leacock township, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, but after his marriage he moved to New Castle county, Delaware, locating in Mill Creek hundred. He married (first), 3 mo. 22, 1735, Sarah, daughter of Daniel and Sarah Worsley, of New Castle county, Delaware; she was born 4 mo. 3, 1717. He married (second), 4 mo. 10, 1742, Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Amy (Gregg) Hadley, of Mill Creek. Three children by first marriage, several by second marriage.

Daniel, son of James (2) Thompson and his first wife, Sarah Worsley, was born in Mill Creek hundred, Delaware, 11 mo. 16, 1737. He married, 10 mo. 25, 1764, Elizabeth, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Miller) Chambers, of White Clay Creek, by whom he had nine children.

John, sixth child of Daniel and Elizabeth (Chambers) Thompson, was born 5 mo. 17, 1777, in Mill Creek hundred, Delaware, and there married Elizabeth Reed.

Jane, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Reed) Thompson, married Caleb H. Marshall.

(VI) Wilmer W., eldest son of Caleb H. and Jane (Thompson) Marshall, was born in Marshalltown, Delaware, in 1846. He was educated in the public schools of Marshalltown, Westtown and Philadelphia, his parents moving to the latter city in 1863. On leaving school he engaged in business with his father at the Penn Treaty Iron Works, of which the latter was proprietor, and after mastering every detail was admitted a partner. In 1878 Wilmer W., in company with his brothers, Alfred and J. Howard, purchased the interests of their father and uncle, John Marshall, continuing business as Marshall Brothers & Company. This firm was the first to manufacture galvanized sheet iron, and in 1892 theirs was the first plant in the United States to manufacture tin plate commercially. They made an instant success of tin plate and continued in great prosperity until 1898, when they sold out their plant to the American Tin Plate Company, but continued the iron and steel business as jobbers, handling an immense business. Shortly after 1870 the Marshalls had bought a pig iron plant at Newport, Perry county, Pennsylvania, and after disposing of his interests in Philadelphia, Wilmer W. Marshall lived retired until his death in 1895; his son, Edward E. Marshall, came to the plant in 1899. He was a fine type of the Quaker business gentleman, just and upright in his dealings, a man of

clear vision and quick decision, thoroughly understanding every detail of his business. He was a Republican in politics, and never accepted public office. He married Julia, daughter of George W. Jacoby, of Conshohocken, Pennsylvania, a manufacturer of marble ornamental work for buildings. He died in Philadelphia, leaving children: Julia (of previous mention); Susan, deceased, married Colonel Thomas Freedley, a marble manufacturer of Philadelphia. Children of Wilmer W. and Julia Marshall: 1. Lillian, married John Blakeley, and resides in Germantown, Pennsylvania. 2. Edward E., of whom further. 3. Edith W., married a Mr. Flavell, and resides in Ambler, Pennsylvania.

(VII) Edward E., only son of Wilmer W. and Julia (Jacoby) Marshall, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 3, 1877. He was educated in William Penn Charter School, Philadelphia, and Sheffield Scientific School, Yale University, whence he was graduated, class of 1899. He at once became a chemist at the Marshall Iron Works in Newport, was promoted vice-president and manager, serving as such until 1913, when he was elected president of the company. In 1908 the plant was enlarged from a capacity of fifty tons to one hundred and twenty-five tons. The company employ about one hundred and twenty men, sixty of whom are engaged at the iron mines in Cumberland and Adams counties, which supply the furnaces with ore.

Mr. Marshall has other important business interests; he is president of the Perry County Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, which supplies light and power to the three boroughs of Millerstown, Newport and New Bloomfield; is senior partner of the Marshall & McNitt Lumber Company; and vice-president of the American Tea Growing Company of Charleston, South Carolina. In political faith a Republican, he was a nominee for representative, but was defeated. In religious faith he and his wife are members of the Protestant Episcopal church. During the Spanish-American war, Mr. Marshall enlisted, May 4, 1898, in Battery A, United States army, as sergeant, serving a term of seven months until honorably discharged.

He married, in 1904, Sarah L. Tyler, born in New London, Connecticut, daughter of Colonel A. C. Tyler, a retired officer of the United States army. The Marshall residence is a beautiful home in the outskirts of Newport, surrounded by trees, shrubbery and plants that bespeak the tasteful arrangement of the landscape gardener. In the stables

several fine horses are kept; these are a source of great pleasure to their owner.

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This family, found in various parts of the United States  
CARMON as Carman, Carmen and Carmon, descends from John Carman, who came from England to Roxbury, Massachusetts, with his wife, Florence, arriving November 4, 1631. Later he was in Lynn, Massachusetts, going thence to Wallingford, Connecticut, there joining with John Seamen in the purchase of a large tract of land on Long Island, extending from the Sound to the ocean. About 1633 he settled with his family at Hempstead, Long Island, where he died in 1653, leaving sons: John, Caleb and Joshua. From these sprang a numerous family, now distributed all over the United States. The Carmons of Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, descend from Livingston Carmon, first of New York state, later of Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, where his son Alexander followed him, as head of a family.

(II) Alexander, son of Livingston Carmon, was born in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He grew to manhood on the home farm, later becoming proprietor of a hotel in Stone Valley, then engaged in the same business at Warm Springs. Later he moved to the borough of Huntingdon, where he engaged in mercantile business until his death. He was a member of the German Reformed church. His wife, Mary Ann, was a daughter of Thomas Kyler; children: Thomas, lived and died in Huntingdon; John, also a lifelong resident of Huntingdon; William; Robert; Joseph R., of whom further; Harrison; Howard; Henry; Sarah; Louanna; one who died in infancy.

(III) Joseph R., son of Alexander and Mary Ann (Kyler) Carmon, was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1835. He was educated in the public school and when a very young man was engaged in the work of conducting the Huntingdon and Broad Top railroad. At the age of twenty years he entered mercantile life, opening the first store in 1855 at the corner of Fourth and Penn streets, Huntingdon. He prospered and outgrew his quarters there, removing soon to a building at No. 420 Washington street. There he continued to enlarge his business, and again moved to more commodious quarters, locating at the corner of Sixth and Washington streets, where he continued in successful business until 1903, when he sold out his mercan-

tile interests and retired to a well-earned rest. For nearly a half century he was engaged as a general store merchant in Huntingdon, and at the time of his retirement had been in continuous business for a longer period than any other merchant in Huntingdon. He was a wise manager, and in all his transactions preserved a strict business integrity, rendering to every man his just due. He is a Republican in politics, and both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He has served as a member of the borough council, but whether in or out of office has always borne his share in all movements to advance the interests of Huntingdon.

He married, in 1857, Anna Mary McCahan, daughter of John K. and granddaughter of John McCahan, born in county Tyrone, Ireland, but an early settler in the Juniata Valley (see forward). Of the eight children of Joseph R. and Anna Mary Carmon, three are living, four died young. A daughter, Florence H., deceased, married Carl M. Gage, manager of the Huntingdon & Broad Top railroad; she left children, Carlotta and Edith. The living children are: Martha Cornelia, married Colonel Samuel W. Miller, of the United States army, who after service in the Philippines is now stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, children: Lillian, married Lieutenant Harrison, Ruth, residing with her parents; Adelaide R., married Frank W. L. Snyder, a supervisor of the Pennsylvania railroad, and resides at Tyrone; children: Mary Adelaide, Joseph, Eleanor and Florence; Warren W., now a farmer near Newton Hamilton, Pennsylvania; he married Anna Mary Herncane.

Since his retirement, Mr. Carmon and his wife have spent a great deal of time in travel and in visiting the many points of scenic and historical interest in the United States. Their home bears many evidences of their journeyings in the shape of relics of historical and local interest.

The grandfather of Mrs. Carmon, John McCahan, was born in the village of Drumnahaigh, in the North of Ireland, in November, 1780, and came to the United States a lad of twelve years, landing in August, 1792. He learned the printer's trade with Steel & McClain, of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, beginning in 1795. After the failure of that firm he came to Huntingdon, where in 1797 he worked as a journeyman printer on the *Courier*. After the death of that paper he went to Baltimore, Maryland, and in 1799 worked for William Pechin on a "Digest of the



Laws of the United States." In 1801 he founded the *Gazette*, in Huntingdon, and continued its editor and publisher until June 9, 1828, when he transferred its control and management to his son, John Kinney McCahan. John McCahan was identified with many of the improvements and institutions of his time, acquired a large landed estate, and remained a resident of the borough of Huntingdon until 1843, when he moved to the "Log Cabin Farm" in Walker township, opposite Huntingdon, on which he had erected a fine brick residence. He was a man of great energy, fairness and tact, traits that characterized his entire business life. He was a Democrat, participating in all the political contests of his day, but outside of borough offices refusing political preferment. He died Sunday morning, March 22, 1857, aged seventy-seven years, and is buried in Huntingdon cemetery.

John Kinney, son of John McCahan, grew up in the newspaper business under his father, and July 9, 1828, became editor and proprietor of the *Gazette*, founded in Huntingdon by John McCahan. He had been practically its editor for the preceding ten years, but on the date named assumed full control. He conducted the *Gazette* as a Democratic organ until April 23, 1834, when he sold it to Alexander Gwin and moved to Laurel Springs Mills, a short distance from Birmingham. Here he resided until after the death of his father in 1857, when he returned to Huntingdon, residing at the northeast corner of Washington and Fifth streets until his death, January 16, 1883, aged seventy-nine years. His wife, Mary Taylor, died several years before her husband.

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The Hertzlers of Port Royal, Pennsylvania, descend  
HERTZLER from Jacob Hertzler, a Swiss emigrant, and date their  
Pennsylvania history from the year 1749. During  
the fifth generation in the Juniata Valley the family have been substantial and highly regarded citizens, and, while usually agriculturalists, have also been prominent in business life, in the Mennonite church and in public affairs, sitting in state councils as legislators, and presiding over churches as ministers and bishops.

Jacob Hertzler was born of Swiss parents, in Switzerland, in 1703. He grew to manhood in his mountain home, became a farmer, and a minister of the Amish Mennonite church. He married, but his

wife died early, leaving him a son John. He then married a second wife, Catherine, and moved to the German Palatinate, now Bavaria, part of the German Empire. He resided there several years, but finally was driven by religious persecution to seek a home in America. He sailed on the ship "St. Andrew" from Rotterdam, touching at Plymouth, England, and arriving at Philadelphia September 9, 1749. He settled on a farm in Berne township, Lancaster, now Upper Berne township, Berks county, two miles west of Hamburg. This he purchased from the proprietaries, Richard and Thomas Penn, warrant dated January 9, 1750, price stated one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, name of the tract, "Contentment," its area one hundred and eighty-two acres and thirty perches. In 1752 he purchased one hundred and ten acres; in 1765, thirty-six acres; in 1766, forty-four acres; and in 1773, thirty acres with odd perches in each tract, the whole totaling four hundred four acres, four perches, which he improved. On August 30, 1773, he divided his lands among his children—John, Jacob, Christian and Fanny, the latter wife of John Kauffman. Catherine, his second wife, died between August 30, 1773, when she is known to have been alive, and March 4, 1774, when it is known she was dead. Jacob, the Swiss emigrant, died in the year 1786, later than March 20. Both are buried in the Amish Mennonite burial ground, two miles west of Hamburg, Pennsylvania; their graves were unmarked, as was the custom of that faith, until 1911, when suitable granite monuments were erected by their descendants. The sons of Jacob, having taken the oath of allegiance to the King of England, consequently took no active part in the revolution, refusing, as did all the Amish Mennonites, to break their oath.

(II) Jacob (2), first son of Jacob (1) Hertzler by his second wife, was born in 1733, came to Pennsylvania with his parents in 1749, and became a prosperous farmer of Berks county, as then considered. He was a member of the Amish Mennonite church and a good man. He married, in 1773, Barbara Yoder, who died in Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, in 1821. He died in April, 1795; children: Daniel (of whom further); John, married Catherine Yoder; David, married Catherine Reichenbach; Barbara, married John Stutzman; Samuel, died unmarried, and seven children who died young.

(III) Daniel, eldest son of Jacob and Barbara (Yoder) Hertzler,

was born in Upper Berne township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, June 26, 1774, and there grew to manhood. He was married in 1803, and in 1804 moved to a farm in Caernarvon township, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. He lived on his farm of one hundred and thirty acres in Lancaster county until after the birth of his twelve children, then sold and moved to Juniata county, Pennsylvania, where he settled in Turbett township, April 5, 1834. He then purchased from Jacob Rice a tract of two hundred thirteen acres, on which he erected suitable buildings for the comfort of his family and the proper conduct of his business, including a wool factory and a saw mill for the production of finished lumber. He was a man of superior attainments, was educated in both English and German, and was of the strictest integrity and universally respected. He was a man of industry and economy, and trained his sons in these same sterling virtues. In early life he acted with the Democratic party, but in 1828 became a Whig, voting and working with that party until his death. Like his sires, he was a member of the Amish Mennonite church, strictly observing the austere faith of that denomination. He died in Turbett township, March 23, 1848. He married, in November, 1803, Barbara Zug (Zook), born January 25, 1778, daughter of Rev. Christian and Magdalene (Blank) Zug, of Whiteland township, Chester county, Pennsylvania, both descendants of Swiss Mennonite families. She survived her husband and died at the Turbett township farm, December 29, 1852; children: Christian, married Christianna Shirk; Jacob, married Christianna Kepner; Henry, married Sarah Hertzler; Solomon, married Mary Trago; Daniel, married Mary Weaver; David, married Phoebe A. Kauffman; Noah (of further mention); Magdalene, married Casper Schwartzantruber; Nancy, married Jacob Kurtz; Samuel; a child, died in infancy, and John. The last survivors of this family were John and Magdalene.

(IV) Noah, son of Daniel and Barbara (Zug) Hertzler, was born in Caernarvon township, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, July 29, 1815, died in Old Port Royal, Juniata county, June 6, 1887. He obtained a good education in both German and English, and grew to manhood as his father's farm assistant. He came with the family to Turbett township, Juniata county, in 1834, and remained at the home farm until he was aged twenty-three years. He then, in company with two of his brothers, opened a general country store which they successfully con-

ducted for several years. He then bought out his partners and conducted the business alone until his death. He dealt heavily in grain, and, in addition to his mercantile business, owned and conducted several fertile farms. He possessed unusual business qualifications, and his enterprise carried him into channels of business hitherto unknown in the family. He invested in banks and held directorships in the Juniata Valley Bank of Mifflintown and the Port Royal Branch Bank. He took a deep interest in public affairs, held many township offices, and was a candidate for the legislature. He was a zealous supporter of the Republican party, and while departing from the religious faith of his forbears, was a consistent member of the Lutheran church. His name was a synonym for integrity, and dying he left to his children an unsullied character, in addition to a generous store of earthly possessions. He married, in 1845, Susan Garman, born in Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, June 18, 1817, died December 10, 1901, daughter of John Garman, an early settler of Dauphin county, later moved to Perry county, where he owned two good farms aggregating four hundred acres, there lived and died. He married Catherine Wallower, and both are buried in the churchyard of the Hill Church cemetery in Turbett township, Juniata county, both having been members of that church. Children of John Garman: Catherine, married John Steece, and died at "The Aqueduct," Perry county; Mary, married Dr. David Alter, and died in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Susan, married Noah Hertzler (of previous mention); John, a farmer, died in Harrisburg. Children of Noah Hertzler: 1. John G., born November 23, 1848; now a merchant at Old Port, a village near Port Royal; married Euphenia Groninger. 2. David, born December 4, 1850; now a manufacturer of Philadelphia; married Eliza A. Wolford. 3. Mary Alice, born January 11, 1854; married James N. Groninger, a millwright, and resides at Old Port. 4. William, of whom further.

(V) William, youngest son of Noah and Susan (Garman) Hertzler, was born in Turbett township, Juniata county, Pennsylvania, July 7, 1858. He was educated in the public schools of the township, Air View Academy, and Washington and Jefferson College, from which latter institution he graduated with the class of 1881. He chose the profession of law, and began his study under the Honorable Lewis E. Atkinson, but his father's health failing, he was obliged to abandon all





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thought of a professional career. With his brother, John G. Hertzler, he then assumed charge of his father's affairs, since which time he has been entirely engaged in business and political affairs. At the death of his father he was appointed one of the executors of his estate and ably administered that important trust. He is a lifelong Republican, and dates his active political life from the year 1881, when he was elected chairman of the Republican county committee, being then but twenty-two years of age, and the youngest county chairman in the state. He held the same position in 1882, and in 1888 had become so well and favorably known that he was chosen to represent his district in the general assembly, being the only Republican elected on the ticket that year, and triumphing by a majority of two hundred and ninety-seven votes. He was renominated in 1890, but in that year was defeated with the entire Republican ticket, though he was defeated by only one hundred and forty-nine votes.

In 1889 Mr. Hertzler was nominated by the Republicans of Juniata county for member of the constitutional convention, but declined the honor. In 1892 he secured the endorsement of the Juniata county convention, though not that of the Republican district convention, for state senator; but in 1896 he was again a candidate for the office, and, receiving both the necessary endorsements, was elected to represent the counties of Juniata, Mifflin, and Perry, constituting the thirty-first senatorial district, by a majority of nine hundred and twenty-seven votes. His record in both the lower and upper houses of the state legislature was one of fearless advocacy of the rights of the people and of devotion to the interests of his constituents. He served on important committees, and by his course in the case of needed legislation gained state-wide fame. On January 1, 1902, during the second session of the Fifty-seventh Congress, he was appointed clerk of the committee on war claims of the National House of Representatives by the Hon. Thaddeus M. Mahon, M.C., and served under that appointment five years. He was then reappointed by Hon. Kittridge Haskins, M.C., of Vermont, and served under that appointment in the first and second sessions of the Sixtieth Congress and the first session of the Sixty-first Congress, a total service of seven years and five months, his term expiring August 6, 1909. During his congressional committee service he was also private secretary to the Hon. Thaddeus M. Mahon, M.C., until 1907, and to

Congressman Benjamin K. Folk until July, 1911, when he was appointed deputy secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which important office he now holds.

Since 1901 Senator Hertzler has served as director of the First National Bank of Mifflintown, and in 1909 was chosen president of that well-known and stable institution. He is a prominent member of the Masonic order, being a past master of Union Lodge, No. 324, Free and Accepted Masons, at Mifflintown, and past high priest Newport Chapter, No. 238, Royal Arch Masons, at Newport; and is a member of Lewiston Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templar, at Lewistown; and Zemblo Shrine, Ancient Accepted Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a thirty-second degree Mason of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, belonging to Harrisburg Consistory. His other orders are the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Mifflintown, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Lewistown. He is interested in all that pertains to the good of the community, especially the cause of education, to which he devoted five years' service on the school board. His life has been a busy and useful one, and few men can point with more just pride to a lifework now just in its prime.

Senator Hertzler is married to Miss Mollie M. Kaufman, a daughter of the late Kurtz Kaufman, and a member of an old Mifflintown family, their union being blessed with one son, Penrose, born August 15, 1898, and now a student in the Lewistown Preparatory School.

The family home is at Port Royal, Pennsylvania, near where Jacob Hertzler first settled in 1834.

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This is an old Mifflin county family, the ancestor, John STEELE Steele, who was of German extraction, having been born here, where he resided for a while until his removal to Huntingdon county, where he became a large land owner and farmer. He was a member of the Lutheran church, as was also his wife, who, like himself, was of German descent. She was a Miss Elizabeth Hartsock before her marriage, and was born in the state of Indiana. Their children, eleven in number, were: Sarah, married (first) J. C. Stever, (second) G. W. Sipe; Susan Jane, married Robert Oakman; Mary Ellen, married William Focht; Rebecca, married Robert Geist; Salina, married S. H. Phesant; Isaiah; Charles W., of further mention; John,







John A. Steele

married Miss Davis; Thomas, married Margaret Zimmerman; Belle, married Samuel G. Steel, no relation; Mariah, died a maiden.

(II) Charles W. Steele, son of John and Elizabeth (Hartsock) Steele, was born May 6, 1834, at Belleville, Millin county. He learned the trade of cabinetmaking, which he followed until later on he became a farmer of Union township, Huntingdon county, where he removed and passed the remainder of his life. In politics he was a life-long Democrat, and in his religious affiliations was a member of the Methodist Protestant church, to which his wife also belonged. He died August 3, 1895, and was survived by his wife fourteen years. She was Miss Sarah Smith, born September 8, 1837, and died April 23, 1909. Her parents were Dr. Andrew Smith and his wife, who was a Miss Elizabeth Pheasant; he being a native of Maryland and his wife of Pennsylvania; both were members of the Methodist church. Dr. Smith was also a lifelong farmer of Union township, Huntingdon county. There were eight children in the family: Sarah, who became Mrs. Steele; Rachel, married Jacob Estep; Mary, married James Bowser; Susan Jane, married Jacob David; Thompson, married Almira Murry; William Bland, married Mina Saner; Charles Wesley, married Belle Klippinger; Salina, married W. P. Magsam.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Steele, who were married December 16, 1855: Jeannette Belle, born January 1, 1857, married T. J. Wright; Mary Elizabeth, born November 16, 1858, married D. C. Wilson; John A., of whom further; James S., an officer in the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, born October 12, 1865, married Mary Prough; Bruce P., of further mention; William T., a farmer of Huntingdon county, born August 3, 1869, married Luella Deavor; Minnie R., born August 15, 1871, married Harry J. Silknetter, a blacksmith of Altoona, Pennsylvania; Sarah D., born March 19, 1877, married James P. Bohner, a bricklayer of Altoona; Prudence M., born December 6, 1879, married C. H. Haines, a butcher of Cleveland, Ohio; Zellah, born November 16, 1881, married Robert Smith, a carpenter of Altoona; and a child who died in infancy.

(III) John A., son of Charles W. and Sarah (Smith) Steele, was born in Union township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, June 9, 1860. His education, which was acquired in the public schools of his native township, was a good and practical one, and upon its completion he was

apprenticed to learn the blacksmith's trade with R. W. Cook, of Bedford county, during the years 1878-80. He followed this calling for the period of one year at Huntingdon, then entered the employ of the Gondola Tanning Company, with whom he remained eleven years. He was then appointed to an official position in the Pennsylvania Reformatory, filling the duties of his office ten years, and in 1901 became a candidate for the position of sheriff of the county, on the Republican ticket, but was defeated in this ambition by seventy-eight votes. Removing to Philadelphia, he acted in the capacity of superintendent of the Wolfe Process Leather Company for about seven years, and then returned to Huntingdon. There he erected a plant for the manufacture of ice, and organized a company, of which he became the president and manager, and four other members of his family are holding official positions in it. Mr. Steele has always been a strong supporter of the Republican party in his borough, and has wielded considerable influence in it. He was solicited by his many friends to become a candidate for sheriff in the fall election of 1913, and it is predicted that he will be the next sheriff of Huntingdon county. Mr. Steele and his wife are both members of the Methodist Episcopal church, and he is a member of the Order of Moose.

Mr. Steele married, July 17, 1881, Agnes L., daughter of Simeon and Ellen (Eistep) Wright, and they have had children: 1. R. Ernest, a trainmaster on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad. 2. Albert W., engaged as a machinist with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company; married Margaret Hohman; one child, Frederick Hohman. 3. C. Le-Roy, a fireman on the middle division of the Pennsylvania railroad; married Nannie Carmon.

(III) Dr. Bruce P. Steele, son of Charles W. and Sarah (Smith) Steele, was born September 1, 1867, in Union township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He received his education in the local schools of Huntingdon county and at Juniata College in the city of Huntingdon, being well fitted for the profession of teaching which he then adopted. For six years he taught in the schools, being principal at Huntingdon for a period of three years. In 1895 he turned his attention to the study of medicine, entering the Medico-Chirurgical College at Philadelphia and being graduated therefrom in 1898 after a very successful three years' course. He located at once in Newton Hamilton, Mifflin county, where



he entered upon the practice of his profession and remained for three years, coming to McVeytown April 1, 1901, and continuing here ever since. His practice has grown very rapidly and he is now one of the leading physicians in this locality, occupying a prominent position in social and business circles as well as in the professional world. He is a bank director here, and is influential in the Democratic party, of which he is a member. Dr. Steele is also interested in fraternal matters, and is a member in good standing of McVeytown Lodge, No. 376, Free and Accepted Masons. He is an elder in the Presbyterian church, to which both himself and his wife belong.

On December 4, 1901, after he had established himself in the practice of his profession in McVeytown, he was married to Miss Lorna Postlethwaite, who was born August 28, 1881, daughter of Lambert Postlethwaite and his wife, who was a Miss Sarah Catherine Rhodes. Dr. and Mrs. Steele have two children: Sarah, born December 18, 1902, and Rachel, born January 23, 1908.

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Mary Barbara, daughter of John and Barbara (Mack)

STUBER Troutman, was born in Germany in September, 1837.

She came to the United States with her parents, the family settling in Spruce Creek township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. Her brother Michael, born in Germany in 1834, came to this country at the same time as his sister and spent most of his active life in the employ of the Huntingdon and Broad Top Railroad Company. Mary Barbara Troutman was educated in the public schools, and in 1858 married Valentine Brown. He was proprietor of a boarding house until his enlistment, August 16, 1862, in Company F, 125th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving a term of nine months, after which he was mustered out with an honorable discharge. He fought with his regiment in the battle of Antietam, there receiving a severe wound. After the war he worked at house and bridge carpentering, continuing until his death in 1882. He was a man of industry and good character, a member of the Lutheran church and faithful to his obligations; children: William, born January 26, 1861, died aged three years; Harriet, born May 7, 1859, died aged seven years. By a first marriage Valentine Brown had a son, John. After remaining a widow nine years, Mary Barbara (Troutman) Brown married (sec-

ond) in 1891, Gottfried Stuber, of German parentage. He was an employee of the Pennsylvania railroad for several years, then entered the employ of the J. C. Blair Company of Huntingdon, continuing with them until his death. He was an upright, industrious man, trusted by his employers and respected by all who knew him. Both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church; no issue by second marriage.

Mrs. Stuber continues her residence in Huntingdon and though bereft of children and husband to cheer her declining years, looks upon the bright side of life and is unafraid. She is a member of the Lutheran church and is most highly regarded by her many friends.

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This name, originally Reiden, was brought to Pennsylvania from Germany by three brothers, who came before the revolutionary war, in which they served. They first settled in New York state, later moving to York, Pennsylvania, where descendants yet reside. The spelling of the name has changed to Riden, but earlier generations retained the German spelling, Reiden.

The early records of the borough of Newport, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, show that on the second of April, 1789, David (2) English sold to Paul Reiden one hundred and ninety-nine acres of land, which English had bought from his father, David (1) English, the original grant dated February 8, 1775, having been made to the latter. By will, dated August 6, 1804, Paul Reiden gave the same tract to his sons: Paul (2), John, Daniel, Abraham and Ephraim. Paul, John and Daniel, after coming into possession of the paternal estate, first laid out and surveyed the town, now Newport, into fifty-four lots, with streets and alleys. The part laid out was south along the Juniata River and Little Buffalo Creek; the north part the heirs retained. The settlement was called Reidenville until the formation of Perry county in 1820. A ferry across the river was established, which was known as Reiden's Ferry, and in the war of 1812 was used by the American troops to cross the river. This ferry was in use until supplanted by the bridge built by the Reiden's Ferry Bridge Company, incorporated April 4, 1838. The Reiden brothers owned a mill and engaged in boating on the Juniata, transporting farm produce and freight for the merchants. After several years they dissolved their partnership and divided their

property. Paul (1) Reiden married a Miss Closser, and, besides the five sons mentioned, had four daughters.

(II) John Riden, son of Paul (1) Reiden, was born about 1808. He engaged with his brothers in founding the town of Newport, Pennsylvania, and in their agricultural and boating enterprises until the dissolution of partnership. He then continued in business alone, principally agricultural. He married Hester Mitchell, and both died in Mifflin county, leaving issue.

(III) John (2), son of John (1) and Hester (Mitchell) Riden, was born in Dry Valley, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, about 1830. He was a miller by trade, and operated at different points in Mifflin county, including Milroy. He was an active Democrat, and a devoted member of the Presbyterian church. He married Frances Camp, a descendant of John (1) Camp, born in France, came to America in 1828, landing in New York, finally settling in the west end of the Kishacoquillas Valley, remaining six years, then moved to Milroy, where he died September 18, 1854. Frances Camp was born at Erie, Pennsylvania. Children: Annie, deceased; Alvaretta, deceased; Margaret, deceased; Sidney, deceased; Robert J., of whom further; George B. McClellan; Harry; Fannie; William J., deceased.

(IV) Robert J., son of John (2) and Frances (Camp) Riden, was born in Milroy, Pennsylvania, May 24, 1860. He was educated in the public schools and on arriving at manhood engaged in the butcher business. In 1893 he came to Reedsville, where he established a meat market. This he conducted very successfully until 1911, when it was merged with his department store business. In 1909 Mr. Riden built what is said to be the largest frame store building in the state. It is one hundred by fifty feet on the ground, three stories in height. The third floor is occupied by lodges and societies, the second floor as an opera house, and the first floor by Mr. Riden's department store. He is well established in business, and is one of the prosperous men of his town. He is a Democrat in politics and has served as school director. He is a member of the Lutheran church, Milroy Lodge, No. 213, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Reedsville Eyrie, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

He married, in 1883, Ella, born in Reedsville, daughter of Joseph Kelly. Children: Beatrice, Joseph, Frances, Mildred.

The first settlers of Bucke's Valley, Buffalo township, ALBRIGHT Perry county, Pennsylvania, were Reuben Earl, John Law, George Albright, Samuel Rankin and Martin Waln, who took up lands along the Susquehanna river about 1773. George Albright came to that locality from Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. At the outbreak of the revolution he entered the patriot army, served throughout the war, leaving at home a wife and several young sons who did the farming. Mrs. Albright and her servant girl took her grain to the banks of the Susquehanna on horseback, loaded it into a canoe and poled down the stream to the nearest mill, which was at Dauphin. After the grain was converted into flour, they poled up the stream to the spot where the horses had been left hitched, when it was again loaded on their backs and all returned to the farm. After the war George Albright returned to the farm in Perry county, and there resided until death. He and his wife are buried in the soil of the valley he helped to defend from foreign and savage foe.

(II) George (2), son of George (1) Albright, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and there married. Later he moved to Ferguson's Valley, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased a farm of two hundred acres, on which he built a stone house that is yet standing. He prospered in his new home and became one of the substantial farmers of the valley. In addition to the homestead, he owned a tract of about one hundred acres on which the village of Yeagertown was built. He donated the land on which the Lutheran church stands and also gave the land for the Lutheran cemetery at Yeagertown, in which he is buried. His wife, Elizabeth, was also born in Lancaster county. Children: 1. Sarah ("Sally"), died unmarried. 2. Eliza, married Miller McIlvaine, moved west and there died. 3. Peter, died in Nebraska. 4. John, died in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. 5. Daniel, died in Yeagertown. 6. William, died in Kansas. 7. George, died aged twenty years, and was the first person buried in the Lutheran cemetery at Yeagertown. 8. Henry (of whom further).

(III) Henry, son of George and Elizabeth Albright, was born in Lancaster county in 1818, but when a boy was brought by his parents to Ferguson Valley, Mifflin county, where his after life was spent. He inherited the homestead farm, on which he lived as owner for forty years, a substantial, contented and respected farmer. In 1897 he moved



to Yeagertown, where two years later, in 1899, he died. He was a Democrat in politics and served his township as collector of taxes and supervisor. Both he and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. He married (first) 1834, Mary Miller, born in Juniata county, who left an only child, Joseph, now living in Reedsville. He married (second) Mary Ann McCartney, born in Huntingdon county in 1834, died 1909, daughter of James and Catherine (Collobine) McCartney. James McCartney was born in Centre county, Pennsylvania, 1806, where he married and farmed all his active life. Later he moved to Mifflin county, where his wife died on their Ferguson Valley farm. His last years he spent with his sons in Burnham, where he died in 1893. Both he and his wife were Lutherans. Fifteen children: Alfred; John; James, a veteran of the civil war; Jerry; Irvin, died young; Sarah, married John Irvin; Mary Ann, married Henry Albright; Ellen, died young; Asbury, died young; Anthony, and five who died in infancy. All these children are deceased, except Jerry, who resides in Yeagertown, and Anthony, of Burnham. Children of Henry and Mary Ann Albright: 1. Millard Burns (of whom further). 2. Laura, married Porter Mann and lives in Pottstown. 3. James, resides in Yeagertown. 4. Lizzie, married James Darwin, of Lewistown. 5. Harry, of Yeagertown.

(IV) Millard Burns, son of Henry and Mary Ann (McCartney) Albright, was born in Ferguson Valley, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, March 11, 1859. He was educated in the public school, grew to manhood at the homestead farm settled by his grandfather, and continued there, engaged in its cultivation, until the year 1900. He then joined in partnership with his brother Harry and established a meat market and butchering business in Yeagertown, which he operated until January, 1911, when Millard B. purchased his brother's interest. He conducted the business alone until 1912, then sold to Harry Albright, his former partner. Millard B. then moved to Burnham, where he erected a suitable building and again established in the butcher business, which he still continues. He is a Democrat in politics and is a member of the Lutheran church, his wife belonging to the Methodist denomination. He is also a Knight of Malta. He married, May 13, 1906, Mrs. Della (Confer) Wallizer, born in Centre county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Elias C. and Alice (Musser) Confer, both natives of Centre county,

he now living retired on a small farm in Penn township, but she died July 27, 1905. Children: 1. Della, married (first) in 1890, Elmer Wallizer, by whom she had: Bruce, married Alice Way and resides in Yeagertown; Elias, living at home; she married (second) Millard B. Albright. 2. Carrie, married Asher Confer and lives in Centre county. 3. Franklin, resides at home. 4. John, living in Renovo.

Mrs. Della (Confer-Wallizer) Albright is a granddaughter of George and Catherine Confer, who were all residents of Centre county. Four of their sons served in the Union army, one of them, Felta, receiving a wound from which he died. Alice Musser was a daughter of John and Catherine (Stumm) Musser, natives of Centre and Clinton counties, respectively.

The only child of Millard B. and Della Albright is Mary Alice, born April 20, 1909. The family residence is at No. 46 North Main avenue, Yeagertown, which Mr. Albright built in 1906.

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The Koughs came to Perry county from York county, Pennsylvania, where Peter Kough lived and died near Hanover. He married a Miss Bosserman, and had three children: Peter, settled in Adams county; John, of whom further; and Catharine, who married John Marshall, of Waterloo, New York.

(II) John, son of Peter Kough, was born in York county in 1789, where he resided until his majority. He then came to Perry county, settling on a tract of land inherited from his father. He became one of the early iron men of that section, senior member of the firm of Kough, Everhardt & Loy, operating a foundry and furnace, situated east of Landisburg. The business depression of 1846 caused the failure of the firm. After his failure Mr. Kough engaged in farming until his death in 1869. He was a prominent Whig and a member of the German Baptist (Dunkard) church. He married Eleanor, daughter of John Hallopeter, an early settler of Howe township, Perry county, later moved to Ohio, where he and his wife, a Miss Fahnstock, died; children: Mary, married William Bosserman, and died in Newport, Pennsylvania. 2. Margaret, married James Everhardt, who lived and died near Newport, well known and prominent. 3. Sarah, married John Bosserman, of local prominence, died in Newport. 4. Catherine, married Jesse L. Gantt, a leading hotel proprietor of Newport, where both

died. 5. Eleanor, married Jacob Sauserman, whom she survives, a resident of Newport. 6. William (of whom further). 7. John, died at his farm near Newport. 8. George, a foundryman, died in East Waterford, Juniata county.

(III) William, son of John and Eleanor (Hallopeter) Kough, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, in 1813, died in Newport, in 1893. He settled after his marriage in Juniata township, Perry county, where he owned a farm of nearly three hundred acres, which he greatly improved and on which he resided for several years. In 1867 he formed a partnership with Mr. Everhart, engaging in the coal, grain and iron business. Later the firm became William Kough & Sons, continuing as such for two years. Mr. Kough then sold to his sons, retiring from business, and they continued dealing in coal, iron, salt, grain, flour, feed, etc. He continued his residence in Newport until his death, at the age of eighty years. He was a Republican in politics, and for one term was county commissioner, also filling many township offices. He married Mary McKenzie, born in Duncannon, Perry county, in 1815, died in Newport, in 1885. Both were members of the Evangelical Association; children: 1. John W. S., located in Spokane, Washington, died in 1910 in Newport. 2. Sarah, married E. B. Weise, once county treasurer of Perry county, now deceased; she survives, a resident of Newport. 3. Mary, married John Acker; both are deceased. 4. Margaret, married Watson L. Gantt and resides in Newport. 5. William H., a retired grain and coal dealer of Newport, ex-sheriff of Perry county, now living retired in Newport. 6. Katherine, married Rev. H. A. Stoke, an evangelical minister, and resides at York, Pennsylvania. 7. Ambrose, now a retired coal dealer of Newport. 8. Amos W., of whom further. Four other children died in infancy.

Mary McKenzie Kough, mother of these children, was a daughter of John McKenzie and his wife, a Miss Boyd and a descendant of the emigrant from Inverness, Scotland, who came in 1775, said to have borne the name of Kenneth McKenzie. He served in the American revolution, was captured by the British and never again was heard from. He left issue, including a son John. John McKenzie grew to manhood in Philadelphia, early coming to Duncannon, Perry county, where he bought a farm of three hundred acres, on which he built a home and a blacksmith shop. He was a soldier of the war of 1812, married,

and reared a family, dying at the age of forty years, from blood poisoning, the result of a horseshoe nail wound received while shoeing a restless horse.

He had a son, John (2) McKenzie, born on the Duncannon farm, and followed the trade of blacksmith in addition to his farming operations. He was prosperous, owning considerable property in the neighborhood, including one of the hotels of the town. He died in Duncannon, about the year 1867. By his first wife, a Miss Boyd, he had two children: Mary, who married William Kough, of previous mention, and John (3), a foundryman, who lived and died in New Bloomfield. By his second wife, a Miss Peacock, he also had issue.

(IV) Amos W., son of William and Mary (McKenzie) Kough, was born in Juniata township, Perry county, Pennsylvania, November 14, 1854. He was educated in the public schools of the township, Newport high school, and Silas Wright's select school at Millerstown, Pennsylvania. He taught school for one year, then was in business at Carlisle for a year, then for four years taught school and worked at the home farm. In the year 1881 he located in Newport, Pennsylvania, where he bought a stock of groceries from his brother-in-law, Ephraim B. Weise, and began business at the corner of Walnut and Third streets. He has prospered and is still in active business, his being the oldest exclusive grocery house in Newport. Six years after his start he bought his present property, on which two houses and his store are standing. In 1894 he was elected a director of the First National Bank, and in January, 1913, was elected vice-president. He is a Republican in politics, serving nine years as school director, eight of these years being president of the board, and is now a member of the town council. He is a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and in religious faith a Lutheran, having served that church as deacon for many years. Active and interested in all that concerns the welfare of his town, Mr. Kough is one of the men that have been the leaders in Newport's prosperity. Known as an honorable, upright business man, he is no less esteemed for his many manly qualities and friendliness. He is interested in historical matters and has a well-filled case of relics pertaining to early Pennsylvania history.

He married, January 8, 1880, Annie F., daughter of Abraham K. and Rebecca (Loy) Long; children: 1. Harry M., engaged in the piano



business. 2. Nellie McKenzie, graduate of Newport high school, a student at Bucknell, also attended Combs' Conservatory of Music. 3. Ralph Long, a clerk in his father's store. 4. Irene L., a graduate of Westchester Normal School; is a teacher. 5. Jessie M., at home; graduate of Newport high school.

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The first of this name in the Juniata Valley of FLICKINGER whom there is record was Henry Flickinger, born in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1765, died November 10, 1853. He came to Perry county a young, unmarried man. He bought a small farm near Ickesburg, where he remained a number of years, afterward and until his death residing on a farm just north of that village, not far from the Tuscarora mountain. He married Margaret Yohn, born in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, April 4, 1779, died April 27, 1853, daughter of John Yohn. Mr. Flickinger and his wife were Lutherans, and are buried at Shuman's Church, Eshcol, Pennsylvania. They had nine sons and five daughters, among whom were: 1. John, died at Center, Perry county. 2. Henry, died at Ickesburg. 3. Isaac, died in Juniata county. 4. Joseph, of whom further. 5. George, died in Newport, Pennsylvania. 6. Nicholas, died in Ohio. 7. Daniel, killed by a train at Port Royal, Pennsylvania; has son Robert living in Nebraska. 8. Peter, died in Ickesburg. 9. David, deceased. 10. Elizabeth. 11. —, married — Shraffler. 12. Name not known. 13. Mary, died in Perry county; married a Mr. Fuller. 14. Christina, married Henry Long.

(II) Joseph, son of Henry Flickinger, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, December 9, 1818, died September 7, 1902. He grew up a farmer and for several years worked rented farms near Ickesburg, his home. He later bought a farm near Marklesville, on which he lived forty-five years, until his death. He was a Republican and held many township offices and the county office of director of the poor. Both he and his wife were Lutherans. He married Nancy, daughter of William Campbell, son of the immigrant Campbell, a soldier under the great Wellington, prior to his coming to America. William Campbell settled near Landisburg, Pennsylvania, when a young man, and there married. He was a carpenter, and a soldier of the war of 1812. He had eight children: William (2), died near Newport,

Pennsylvania, a boatman on the old Juniata canal; George, a farmer and commissioner of Perry county, died near Newport; Sarah, married John Hummell; a daughter, married an Adams; Jane, married Major Shull, an officer of the Mexican and civil wars; Margaret, married David Crist, lived and died at Markleville; Nancy, married Joseph Flickinger; a daughter, married Jerry Dunkleberger. Children of Joseph Flickinger: 1. William Henry, now a retired merchant of Hartford, Kansas; he served during the civil war, in Company G, 208th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry; he married Elizabeth Tressler. 2. Levi H. C., of whom further. 3. Joseph Martin, now a merchant of Newport, Pennsylvania; married Frances Van Camp. 4. Darwin Crawford, now an engineer in a rubber works at Akron, Ohio; married Miss Parker. 5. Margaret, married John N. Kretzing, and resides in Juniata township, Perry county. 6. Miller Emery, now a merchant of Markleville, Pennsylvania; married Mary Lenker.

(III) Levi Hiram Campbell, son of Joseph and Nancy (Campbell) Flickinger, was born near Ickesburg, Perry county, Pennsylvania, August 20, 1843. He was educated in the public schools and Markleville Academy, teaching after graduation until his enlistment in the army. When the state of Pennsylvania, threatened by invasion, called for men, Mr. Flickinger enlisted, in June, 1863, in Company B, 36th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. The regiment arrived at Gettysburg the day before the battle began, and during the three days' fight was engaged in guarding the supply train. After the battle they were detailed to bury the dead and clear the battlefield of the evidences of the fierce battle, so far as possible. In September, 1864, he re-enlisted in Company G, 208th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving as corporal until the close of the war. He saw hard service, being engaged at Hatcher's Run, Warren's raid, siege of Petersburg, Fort Stedman, "Fort Hell," Fort Mahone, "Fort Damnation," "Fort Heaven," capture of Petersburg, and in pursuit of Lee.

After the war he returned to Pennsylvania and attended the academy for a year, then returned, teaching during the school years and working at carpentering in summer. For twenty-five years he followed the profession of teaching, and won favorable commendation as an educator. In 1866 he purchased a farm of one hundred and sixteen acres, in Juniata township, and resided thereon until 1869. He then

rented his farm and for a time bought and sold wool and merchandise. He then followed his trade of carpenter until 1878, then returned to his farm, remaining until 1894, engaged in successful farming operations. In 1894 he was elected treasurer of Perry county, serving his term with honor. Since retiring from the treasurer's office he has continued his home in New Bloomfield. In 1907 he sold his farm and purchased a brick residence on Main street, which is his present home. From 1905 until 1913, when he resigned, Mr. Flickinger was general agent for the Susquehanna & Western Railway Company. He is a Republican in politics, and in 1882 was elected county auditor, serving three years, and from 1904 until 1907 was county treasurer, as stated. In religious faith he is a Lutheran; his wife is a member of the Reformed church. Mr. Flickinger's life has been a useful, busy one, given over largely to the service of his county and country. For twenty-five years a teacher in the public schools, he trained the youthful minds of many whose names are not unknown to fame. As soldier and public official he gave more years of his manhood's vigor, and then retired to the quiet of private life, honored and respected. The war record of the Flickinger family is an honorable one, about twenty of the family, all closely related, offering themselves and serving during the war between the states.

Mr. Flickinger married, August 23, 1866, Susan Elizabeth, born in Perry county, daughter of John and Susan Kretzing; children: 1. Minnie Maude, married William B. Anderson, and resides in New Bloomfield. 2. John Joseph Flickinger, a conductor on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, with residence in Chicago; he married Emma Drufnick; children: Florence, Clarence Ray, Howard, and one deceased. 3. Kearney Emerson, now an employee of the Pennsylvania railroad, with residence at Newport; he married Ida May Johnson; children: Goldie May, married Donald Soulouff; and Jessie Maude. 4. Nannie Susan, married E. W. Swartz, and resides at Longfellow, Pennsylvania. 5. Henry Foster, a farmer of Abingdon, Illinois; married Josephine Bridson; children: Everett Otts, Loyal Dean, Susan Marilla and Mun Levi. 6. Miles Howard, now manager of the electrical signal department of the Pennsylvania railroad, residing at Duncannon, Pennsylvania; married Annie Imhoff; children: Jean Elizabeth, and Leslie Howard. 7. Nevin West, now travelling salesman for

Allentown Rolling Mills; he married (first) Emma Lee, of Hazleton, Pennsylvania, (second) Eva Hademan; children: George (deceased), and Rose Elizabeth. 8. George Ernest, died in infancy. 9. Margaret S., married Joseph E. Leiter, whom she survives, a resident of Allentown, Pennsylvania. 10. Mary Florence, married Frank E. Eckerd; she died March 11, 1913, leaving children: Sarah Geraldin, Mary Elizabeth, Frank Raymond and George Hiram.

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This family, which is of Scotch-Irish ancestry, is descended from Matthew Rodgers, who with his wife Ann came to America from Ireland in about 1803. Matthew Rodgers was a ship carpenter from his early youth, and continued his trade in this country, assisting in fitting out the fleet with which Commodore Perry won his memorable victory over the British on Lake Erie in September, 1813. Mr. Rodgers travelled from city to city in the pursuit of his business and was last known as a resident of Pittsburgh; after this the family lost trace of him. He and his wife had seven children, three sons and four daughters: Matthew, married, and resided near Philadelphia, where he died, leaving a daughter Sarah, married to Joseph Longer, whose descendants now reside in that vicinity; Samuel, mentioned further; Robert, became a brick-maker, marrying and going to Iowa as a pioneer settler, and leaving a family there who are among the best citizens in the state; Margaret, became Mrs. Hood, of Philadelphia, and left children; names of the other daughters not given.

(II) Samuel, son of Matthew and Ann Rodgers, was born near Philadelphia, and received his education in that city, learning the trade of milling spices in the village of Milltown, in Philadelphia county. Here also he was married, spending his subsequent life in various places and at various occupations. For nine years he followed the pursuit of farming in Chester county, after which he became state supervisor on the Pennsylvania railroad between Downingtown and Paoli; he remained thus for about six years, when he became interested in the milling business in Philadelphia county, where he continued for the subsequent seven years, the last five of which were passed in the borough of Frankford. His next venture was the purchase of a farm at Gwynedd, in Montgomery county, where he remained for about four



years, after which he again turned his attention to milling at Frankford. In 1860 he removed to Cecil county, Maryland, where he purchased a farm in the vicinity of Lewisville, on which he resided for about eight years, removing in 1868 to Mifflin county, where he became a resident of Lewistown. He bought the Mt. Rock mills in this place and managed them for sixteen years, finally selling out to Andrew Spanogle, and retiring from active business life. He died in 1885, at the age of eighty years. He married three times. His first wife was Sydney Hallerman, daughter of Jacob Hallerman; she died in 1844. The name of his second wife is not known. His third wife was Sarah Bragg. His children were: Julia Ann, became Mrs. Alexander Harrison; Maurice, married Isabelle Gilman, and had three children; Eliza, became Mrs. Cool, and had one son; Isaac H., of further mention; Annie M., married Edward Miller, and had one daughter.

(III) Isaac Hallerman Rodgers, son of Samuel and Sydney (Hallerman) Rodgers, was born near Downingtown, Chester county, Pennsylvania, January 7, 1838. He attended the public schools of the county, and acquired a knowledge of the milling business in association with his father, with whom he resided until he was twenty-nine years of age. He then became a miller on his own account, purchasing the Logan steam flouring mills at Lewistown in 1885. In 1893 he bought the Brookland roller flouring mills at McVeytown, where he resided until his death, May 20, 1901. Mr. Rodgers was successful in his various enterprises, reaping financial profit and producing goods of the finest quality in his line of business, so that the products of his mills came to be very widely and favorably known. He became one of the most prominent citizens of the place, being liberal and public spirited in his views. He was a member of the Republican party. He attended the Methodist Episcopal church, of which all his family were attendants. On October 18, 1868, he was married to Sarah, daughter of Gideon and Elizabeth Brahm, of McConnellsburg, Fulton county, Pennsylvania. Children: Joseph L., died when about nine years of age; John T., of further mention; Anna Mary; Samuel, died in infancy.

(IV) John T. Rodgers, son of Isaac Hallerman and Sarah (Brahm) Rodgers, was born June 28, 1871, at Lewistown, Pennsylvania. He received his earlier education at the public schools of Lewistown, sub-

sequently attending Professor Riley's academy, and at the conclusion of his studies entered upon his business career by working in his father's mill. He acquired a thorough knowledge of the calling, coming to McVeytown in 1893, at the time that his father purchased the Brookland mills, and making his home in this place ever since. He has prospered greatly and has become the owner of the mill which he manages. His position in the community is a prominent one, and he is connected in various capacities with other large business enterprises in this place. He is a director in the bank, where his influence is keen and beneficial; and in politics he is also a leading figure, being now treasurer of the town council and having been formerly its secretary. He is a member of the Republican party. Mr. Rodgers is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belonging to the Bright Star Lodge, No. 705. In religious circles he is held in high esteem, being a trustee of the Presbyterian church, of which both himself and his wife are members.

On November 27, 1902, he was married to Miss Jessamine Macklin, who was born October 9, 1879; she is the daughter of James and Jennie (Leattor) Macklin, residents of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers have two sons: James Macklin, born February 23, 1909; and John T. Jr., born August 12, 1910.

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Ishmael Owens was born in Wales, April 20, 1748, and OWENS was a brewer of malt and hops. He located in New Orleans, Louisiana, about 1769, and from there removed to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He remained there for a while, when he settled in Chester county, Pennsylvania, where he lived from 1774 until 1813, covering the periods of the two wars with Great Britain. Here he was married and here all his children were born. He served during the revolutionary war as a member of the Chester county light horse, and in after years was fond of recalling his experiences and describing the events which came under his observation, frequently referring to the battle of Brandywine and the massacre of Paoli. His children and grandchildren have recollection of his uniform, which was of bright blue cloth trimmed with yellow and adorned with large brass buttons. He wore a leather hat with a projection in front and plain behind, and carried a sword. He was in every respect a patriotic and

exemplary citizen, and served both church and state to the best of his ability. He attended the Manor meeting house near West Chester, for, though he was an Episcopalian in his religious beliefs, he had no hesitancy in worshipping in the Presbyterian church.

It was while he was still living in Chester county that his oldest son, Morris, was drafted for service at Baltimore to assist in quelling the riots of July 27-28, during the first year of the war of 1812. The company in which he served marched all night in order to reach the scene of the troubles, but reached their destination after the fighting was all over and quiet had been established. In 1813 Mr. Owens removed to Middletown, Dauphin county, where he resided four years, before he made his final home in Lewistown, Mifflin county. Here he died in the year 1820 from the effects of a fall, being then seventy-two years of age. He was a man well preserved for his age, and in stature was inclined to be short and stout; it is not believed that he had other relatives in this country beside his immediate family, at the time of his death. He was buried in Millerstown, Perry county, where his wife was also buried over a quarter of a century afterward, in 1846. She was a Miss Catherine Stem before her marriage, born March 24, 1763, the daughter of Conrad Stem, of German descent. Children: Morris, born February 12, 1788; Henry, March 19, 1791; Elizabeth, October 10, 1792; David, March 1, 1794; Rebecca, June 26, 1796; William, November 28, 1797; Sarah, August 20, 1799; Rachel, April 5, 1801; Lewis, February 18, 1802; Owen, April 16, 1805, mentioned further; Mary, August 5, 1807.

(II) Owen Owens, son of Ishmael and Catherine (Stem) Owens, was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, where his parents resided for many years, on April 16, 1805. He was seven years of age when his father removed to Middletown, Dauphin county, and accompanied him afterward to Lewistown, in Mifflin county. Here he resided until the year 1829, when he settled in Wayne township, now Oliver, at what is now Lockport. He was a blacksmith, and it was he who opened for the first time the three locks for boats to pass through. He remained at Lockport for four or five years, when he removed to a farm which James Shepherd had previously owned; and in 1861 he located on the McFadden farm at what is now Granville.

(III) Walter L. Owens, son of Owen Owens, accompanied his

father to Granville, where he opened a store in 1865; this was made a passenger station in 1866, and during the same year a postoffice was established there. The place had previously been known as Wolfkill's Siding. Mr. Owens became a prominent man in the neighborhood and was one of the leading merchants of the town. He married Miss Mary E. Price, and had children as follows: 1. Anna, deceased; married R. W. Kline; children, Charles E., Frank A. and Ethel. 2. Charles G., of whom further. 3. Blanche, married W. G. Satzler; no issue. 4. James H., married Miss Mumper; children: Herbert, William (deceased) and Elizabeth.

(IV) Charles G. Owens, son of Walter L. and Mary E. (Price) Owens, was born November 11, 1866, in Granville township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania. He received his education in the common schools of the township, and was reared on his father's farm, beginning work as a young man on the railroad. He subsequently entered the merchandise business, and for seven years has been connected with the store in Granville, where he has conducted a general trade with distinguished success. He now has full ownership of the store, and is besides in possession of other properties in the city. His influence in the community is a very strong one. On January 1, 1911, he was appointed postmaster of Granville. In politics Mr. Owens is a Republican, though he has never made himself conspicuous in his party or aspired to public office. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, as is also his wife, to whom he was married on March 7, 1895. She was Miss Arletta Emory, before her marriage, born November 1, 1869, in Perry county, and is the daughter of James and Mariah (Scyoc) Emory, also natives of that county. They have had six children, all born in Granville township, and all now at home with their parents: Cecilia, born January 26, 1896; Walter, May 8, 1898; Owen, January 29, 1902; Mary, August 7, 1904; Bruce, April 1, 1905; Merle, December 23, 1907.

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Jacob H. Richard, of Maitland, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, has behind him a long line of colonial and revolutionary ancestry. The Richard family was of Devonshire, England, stock. The first to come to America was Richard Richard, who landed in Massachusetts in 1634, and it is thought



that from him sprung all the numerous families of the name in the United States. Many of the name were prominent in the affairs of the various colonies before the revolution, and several were famous Indian fighters.

(I) John Richard, a descendant of Richard Richard, was an early settler in Mifflin county. He was one of the very useful men of his day, and was known far and wide by the thrifty housewives of Mifflin and adjoining counties, as he was the maker of spinning wheels. He was also a wheelwright, and furnished very nearly all of the wagons that were in use during his day. Only two of his children are known by name: Elizabeth, and John, of whom further to be found below.

(II) John (2), son of John (1) Richard, was born in 1798, near Beaver Springs, and died June 8, 1870, in Derry township, at the age of seventy-three. Under his father he learned the wheelwright's trade, which he followed for some time, or until Whitney invented the cotton gin, in Augusta, Georgia. Finding his occupation gone, superseded by the invention of the gin, he began farming, and remained at that peaceful vocation until his death. He married Sarah Cupples, a daughter of James Cupples, who was first sergeant in a Pennsylvania company during the revolutionary war. Mr. and Mrs. Cupples were born in Mifflin county and died there. He was of hardy Scotch-Irish descent, his emigrant forefather coming from Ireland in 1750, after having lived in Scotland until his young manhood, when he moved to Ireland and there married, it is thought. The wife of James Cupples was of German extraction, and they were members of the Lutheran church. Children of John and Sarah (Cupples) Richard: 1. Reuben, married Matilda Graham. 2. Nancy, married Benjamin Mowerey. 3. Mary Ann. 4. John Jr., married in Ohio. 5. Hannah. 6. Samuel, of whom further. 7. James, married Sarah Bornman. 8. Sarah, married William Sager. 9. William, married Miss Roush. 10. Anna, twin of William, married George Elliot.

(III) Samuel, son of John (2) and Sarah (Cupples) Richard, was born May 6, 1835, in Derry township, Mifflin county. He was reared on the farm and was educated in the Derry township public school and at Lewistown. As a young man he taught for three terms. In 1882 he purchased one hundred acres, the place on which he now lives, and

has since that time done general farming, until his son Jacob took over the farm. He was drafted during the civil war, but offered a substitute. He is a Democrat, upholding the principles of that party, and is a member of the German Baptist Brethren church. He married, April 26, 1856, Mary Ann Howe, a daughter of Joseph Howe, of Cumberland county, where he lived and died a blacksmith. She died February 6, 1902. Children: 1. Jacob H., of whom further. 2. Joseph L., married Miss Kripps; lives in Illinois, a farmer. 3. Rudy, married Pora Finkenbinder; he is farming at Lena, Illinois. 4. William, a steel moulder in Ohio; married (first) Miss McCalley; married (second) Miss Bair.

(IV) Jacob H. Richard, of Maitland, Pennsylvania, son of Samuel and Mary A. (Howe) Richard, was born May 9, 1857, in Derry township, Mifflin county, Pennsylvania, near Maitland. His education was received in the public school at Maitland, and he was reared in the free life on the farm. When about twenty-one or twenty-two he worked for two years at an ore bank. He entered the mercantile business at Maitland and remained in it for six years, from 1881 until 1887, after which time he bought his father's farm and has remained a farmer since. He owns ninety well tilled highly productive acres, on which he does general farming. He is a member of the Church of the Brethren, of which he has been an able minister since 1892. He was commissioned postmaster under President Garfield, which position he held to the entire satisfaction of the township. Besides being a successful farmer, he combines with it stock raising, making the two net him handsome sums yearly.

He married (first) December 25, 1877, Mary M. Baker, daughter of Daniel and Susan (Ritter) Baker, longtime residents of Snyder county; she died March 4, 1900. He married (second) Minnie Showers, February 18, 1904. Children by first marriage: 1. Annie, married Samuel Allen, and lives in Iowa. 2. Daniel, married Lilly Butler; he is a mechanic at Burnham, Pennsylvania. 3. Howard, a farmer; married Jennie Stuck. 4. Clarence, employed at Burnham, Pennsylvania; married Lottie Edmonson. 5. Esther, married Lewis Edmonson, who is employed at Burnham. 6. Samuel, employed at Burnham; married Hittle Goss. 7. John J., unmarried. Children by second marriage: 1. Paul, born 1905. 2. David, born in 1908.

This name is found in the annals of Snyder county, MEISER Pennsylvania, as early as 1788, when Henry Meiser owned and operated a saw mill in Middle Creek township. At about this time a frame grist mill was built on the south side of Middle Creek, at what is now known as Meiser's Station.

David, son of Henry Meiser, was a miller by trade, owning a mill at Meiserville, Snyder county, and later purchasing the grist mill at Meiser's Station. He was in business there for many years, and later retired to Chapman, in Chapman township, Snyder county, where he lived until his death. David Meiser's children were: Mary, who married John Snyder, and lived and died near Meiserville; Catherine, who married William Fryman; Sally, who married John Leitzel, and an only son, John S.

John S. Meiser was born and is now residing in Snyder county. For many years he has been the agent at Meiser's Station, and simultaneously is engaged in farming and lumbering. He is a veteran of the civil war, a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Patriotic Order Sons of America, and the Lutheran church. On February 13, 1869, a son, Charles Ammon, was born to John S. Meiser and Mary Ann Jane Walter, a daughter of Jacob Walter, both living in Middle Creek township; Mary Ann Jane was born in 1850, and died April 13, 1881.

Charles Ammon Meiser was destined to become before many years one of the foremost figures in Central Pennsylvania commerce. Step by step he fought his way, staunchly keeping his commercial operations on the solid foundation of good Christian principles upon which he was building his life. After a common school education he attended the Freeburg Academy, and shortly thereafter began teaching in the public schools, which vocation he followed for five years. His first venture into business took the form of a copartnership with one B. W. Yoder, at Globe Mills (Meiser's Station), but after six months the partners sold out and for a while engaged in farming at Kreamer. Already at this time it seems that the trading instinct was thoroughly aroused in the young merchant, for we find important changes following each other in rapid succession. Never slow to make a decision, we find him two years as a butcher in copartnership with his brother in-

law, Harrison Moyer, at Middleburg, and two years as a baker, having thereafter bought the establishment of A. L. Eshelman, and this human dynamo is ready to change his habitat from Snyder county to Juniata, little suspecting himself to what extent fame and fortune would smile upon him in this new environment.

At Thompsonstown, Juniata county, James A. Cameron was conducting a small general store. The place was well located and the town was good, but somehow this particular corner seemed to discourage one storekeeper after another, and tradition had it that no one could make the corner pay. How fate led Charles Meiser to Thompsonstown we do not know, but we do know that on a very lucky day for Thompsonstown, in the year 1900, this man slipped into town, inquired in a seemingly casual manner whether the place was for sale as usual, walked down the road a piece to assure himself that the Pennsylvania railroad was doing business at a sufficiently close distance, and before the town was aware of his presence he had bought out the little stock, consisting of about thirteen hundred dollars' worth of general merchandise, and was busily engaged breathing new life into a business that had bordered on failure from its inception. Rapid almost beyond belief were the strides this humble little corner took. One addition would hardly be completed before another would be started; soon the structure, for the most part three stories, measured one hundred and forty by forty feet. Then it was necessary to start outbuildings, one of which, a well-equipped private garage, together with a number of fine automobiles, was completely destroyed by fire during the winter of 1912.

The inventory of the store proper amounts to upward of \$30,000, without taking account of the goods handled in special departments, such as pianos and organs, automobiles, farm machinery, etc., which are handled entirely separate and managed by men who are specialists in their respective lines. In this business that Charles A. Meiser has built up, one can purchase anything from a paper of pins to a carload of cement—hardware, groceries, men's wear, women's wear, shoes, millinery, gas engines, implements, fencing, paints, oils, glass, house furnishings—in fact, the slogan, "Meiser Sells Everything," fits the case exactly. In the automobile fraternity, Merchant Meiser is known far and wide as a hard man to meet in competition. The Ford and



Imperial automobiles could not have a more energetic representative than Merchant Meiser has proven to be. In the piano department Mr. Meiser insured his success by taking on the agency for the very finest of instruments, with the result that his reputation is being still further enhanced. Lauter and Janssen pianos, together with a number of other excellent makes, are being sold near and far by this courageous merchant. As a whole, this flourishing business in the small town of Thompsettown is a monument to the enterprise and sagacity of the man who owns it.

Aside from the business which bears his name, Mr. Meiser is a leading spirit in various undertakings through Central Pennsylvania, among which might be mentioned the Northumberland Improvement Company, of which he is a director; the Northumberland Realty Company, of which he is a director; the Farmers' National Bank of Thompsettown, of which he is a founder and director; and the Thompsettown Water Company, of which he is an owner. Outside of the state of Pennsylvania, too, he is a prominent stockholder in several large corporations. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Patriotic Sons of America, and in politics he is a pronounced Progressive. He has served his community as assessor, school director and councilman.

On December 6, 1891, Mr. Meiser was married to Ida Catherine, daughter of John M. and Sallie (Dreese) Moyer, of Middleburg, Snyder county, in whom he found an unusually capable and active helpmeet, and one to whom he owes much of the efficient management of his complicated business. Their union is blessed with two children: Mary, a student of the Susquehanna Conservatory of Music, graduate of School of Commerce, and a prominent member of the Delaware Literary Society; and Moyer M., a son, who has already exhibited traits that prove him worthy of his heritage. He is a student at Mercersburg, and graduate of the School of Commerce, and former student of Stevens Hall, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

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The Orbison family of Pennsylvania is of Irish descent, ORBISON the American ancestor, Thomas (1), being born near Lurgan, Ireland, about 1715, died in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, March, 1779. He came to America in 1740 and pur-

chased a farm near Welsh Run, in what was then Peters township, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania. He married (first) October 19, 1744, Elizabeth, daughter of James Miller, who died March 3, 1763; (second) August 12, 1765, Mary Kyle. He left a will which was proved March 10, 1779, and is recorded in the register's office at Carlisle in will book C, page 145. Children of first wife: 1. William, born August 2, 1745, commissioned officer in United States military service during the revolutionary war, and killed in "Flying Camp" campaign. 2. Thomas, of further mention. 3. John, born March 27, 1750, died 1827. 4. Susanna, September 20, 1752. 5. Bethiah, November 2, 1755. 6. James, December 21, 1757. Children of second wife: 7. Jean, born July 5, 1766.

(II) Thomas (2), son of Thomas (1) and Elizabeth (Miller) Orbison, was born September 23, 1747, near Welsh Run, now Franklin county, Pennsylvania, died in Millerstown (now Fairfield), Pennsylvania, October 2, 1784. He was a farmer at Willalloways Creek, in York (now Adams) county, where his family resided during the revolutionary war, while he was in the United States service, in which he gained the rank of captain. At the close of the war he moved to Millerstown, where he engaged in mercantile business until his death, caused by scarlet fever. He married, April 5, 1774, Elizabeth Bailey, born December 23, 1752, died April 7, 1826, daughter of Benjamin Bailey, an Irish emigrant. His widow married, May, 1787, William Agnew. Children of Thomas (2) and Elizabeth (Bailey) Orbison: 1. Isabella, born January 13, 1775; married John Slemmons, of Butler county, Pennsylvania; child: Elizabeth R., married John Hogg, of Butler county. Children of John and Elizabeth R. (Slemmons) Hogg: Mary Jane, born July 21, 1838; Caroline Harriet, born December 20, 1840, died December 19, 1846; Orbison S., born May 25, 1843; Alice Rachel, born March 31, 1846, died December, 1853; Norman Doak, born February 24, 1849, died June 14, 1852; Isabel Elizabeth, born June 29, 1852. 2. William, of further mention. 3. Elizabeth Miller, born October 27, 1779; married Samuel Porter.

(III) William, only son of Thomas (2) and Elizabeth (Bailey) Orbison, was born in York (now Adams) county, Pennsylvania, June 27, 1777, died in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, August 23, 1857. He attended the Rev. Alexander Dobbins' school near Gettysburg from 1794 to 1797, when he studied languages, and in April, 1799, com-

menced reading law with his uncle, James Orbison, at Chambersburg, and was admitted to the bar of Huntingdon county. Until 1830 he practiced in Huntingdon, after which date he devoted most of his time to literary pursuits. He was president of the Huntingdon Bank, chartered in 1814. He purchased large tracts of land in Cromwell township and, having laid out part of the property in town lots, named the town Orbisonia. He married, October 6, 1808, Eleanor Elliott, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Ashman) Elliott. Children of William and Eleanor (Elliott) Orbison: 1. Sarah Harriett, born July 11, 1809, died November 25, 1832; married, January 28, 1830, her cousin, Dr. Benjamin McMurtrie; child: Harriet Orbison, born November 25, 1832, died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 7, 1893; married, 1855, Richard Rush Bryan. 2. Caroline Elizabeth, born March 16, 1811, died September 9, 1829. 3. Thomas Elliott, born November 26, 1812. 4. William Penn, of further mention. 5. Ellen Matilda, born July 19, 1816; married, May 2, 1837, Dr. John Harris, of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, later of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; during the war of the rebellion she was secretary of the Ladies' Aid Society, and spent much time ministering to soldiers in the hospitals. Her husband having been appointed consul to Venice in 1870, she journeyed there with him, remaining until his death in 1881. 6. Henrietta Ashman, born December 12, 1817, died April 12, 1857; married, September 16, 1841, Hugh Nelson McAllister, of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania; children: Mary Allison, married Gen. James A. Beaver, ex-governor of Pennsylvania; Ellen Elliott, born April 8, 1846, died August 18, 1886; Sarah, married Dr. Thomas R. Hayes, of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania. 7. Martha Ann, born December 1, 1819, died September 1, 1824. 8. Louisa Augusta, born October 2, 1821; married, April 4, 1850, Samuel Colhoun, died in Colorado, 1883; child: Emma C., married, 1876, Dr. Francis Atwood, of St. Paul, Minnesota, died August, 1882. 9. Edmund Burke, born April 20, 1823. 10. James Henry, born March 23, 1826. 11. Isabella Slemmons, born November 18, 1831, drowned September 14, 1833. 12. Charles Carroll, born December 1, 1835, died November 20, 1836.

(IV) William Penn, second son and fourth child of William and Eleanor (Elliott) Orbison, was born at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, November 4, 1814, died February 28, 1898. He was graduated from Jefferson College in 1832, and, deciding upon the legal profession as his

future walk in life, read law with John P. Miles, Esq., at Huntingdon, graduating from the Carlisle Law School in 1835. He was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar November 12, 1835. In the spring of 1836 he entered into partnership with James M. Bell, Esq., continuing with him until 1845. Until the time of his death he and his son, Robert Allison, conducted a law office in partnership. He was president of the First National Bank of Huntingdon from 1871 to 1878, and was a member of the Presbyterian church, in which he was ordained ruling elder. He married, September 16, 1841, Lydia Rebecca Allison, born August 2, 1816, died April 1, 1891, daughter of Robert and Mary (Elliott) Allison. Children of William Penn and Lydia Rebecca (Allison) Orbison: 1. William Allison, born August 29, 1842, died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, June 26, 1893; he was for a time a coal merchant, later in partnership with his brother, Robert Allison, and Charles G. Welch, built Huntingdon Car Works. 2. Mary Elliott. 3. Ellen Harris. 4. Robert Allison, of further mention.

(V) Robert Allison, youngest child of William Penn and Lydia Rebecca (Allison) Orbison, was born January 31, 1849. In preparation for the legal profession he took a classical course at Washington and Jefferson College, graduating in 1868, then read law with his father for two years; was graduated from the Albany Law School in 1871, and was admitted to the Huntingdon county bar on May 25, 1871. From September, 1877, to September, 1878, he was a member of the St. Paul, Minnesota, bar, returning in the latter year to Huntingdon. In July, 1880, he was appointed assistant to the assistant attorney-general of the United States, whose business it is to defend the United States in the court of claims, and went to Washington, D. C. This position he held until 1882, when he returned to Huntingdon, receiving in January, 1887, appointment in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth at Harrisburg. On June 1, 1887, he was appointed chief clerk in the attorney-general's office, where he remained four years, and on June 1, 1891, entered the auditor general's office, occupying a position there for one year. Mr. Orbison has always been prominent in civic affairs of Huntingdon, and at the time of the "Old Home Week" celebration in Huntingdon, in connection with J. Murray Africa and several others, he published an exceedingly valuable and interesting pamphlet entitled "Historic Huntingdon," containing so much historical data as was never



before published in book form. This has had a wide circulation among the libraries of the country, because of its interesting form of composition and the light which it throws upon the history of the locality. In his research for the publication of this work Mr. Orbison unearthed some very old and valuable town documents, among which was a contract for the erection of the first court house, which definitely fixed the date of building, a date hitherto unknown. It also contained lists of organization of the townships of Huntingdon county. He was elected chief burgess of Huntingdon, February 16, 1897, the same position having been held by his great-grandfather, Benjamin Elliott, in 1796, and by his grandfather, Robert Allison. Aside from the political positions he has held, Mr. Orbison has been active in county politics, and was a delegate to the Keystone State Convention and chairman of the Huntingdon county committee. In 1912 he was chairman of the Washington county party committee. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, and in 1898 was elected a ruling elder of that denomination. In 1913 he was sent as a commissioner to the great General Assembly in Atlanta. He has been in the past one of the men who have done most to bring Huntingdon to the forefront of cities of its size in Pennsylvania, and it may well be hoped that in the future his efforts shall be as well directed and shall bear as abundant fruit as they have in the past.

He married, June 14, 1894, J. Estelle Gregory, born in Hancock, Maryland, daughter of Richmond and Ann Lewis (Snively) Gregory. Children of Robert Allison and J. Estelle (Gregory) Orbison: Allison Estelle, Virginia Gregory.

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The Grove family of Pennsylvania is one of the oldest in length of residence in the state. The immigrant ancestor came over from England soon after William Penn, and on his invitation. For years he was closely associated with that discriminating Quaker gentleman, though not of his religion. The eldest son of each succeeding generation was, for many years, named Jacob. Each married and was the parent of children, and in this way the name has been widely perpetuated in the state. As time passed members of the family wandered into other states and territories of the Union until to-day there is not a state in the United States that has not within its borders one or more of the name. The name has always been well and

worthily borne by the succeeding generations, and is synonymous with integrity, honor and morality.

(I) Jacob Grove, the first of the family of whom any thing definite is known, was born in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, before the revolutionary war, and is thought to have taken part in that glorious conflict for personal and political liberty. He moved from Lancaster to Huntingdon county before 1800, located in Penn township, took up wild land, cleared and improved it, erecting comfortable log houses for the occupancy of himself and family. He was the parent of a large number of children, among whom was a son Jacob, of whom further below.

(II) Jacob Grove, son of Jacob Grove, was born October 18, 1806, on his father's farm in Penn township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He received his education in the schools of the township, and on reaching maturity began farming on the land on which his children and the children of his son Samuel S. were born, containing two hundred acres of fine timber land and one hundred and forty under cultivation. He was a prominent man and because of his established probity he was selected as guardian of various orphan children, the property of whom he administered with equity and care. He was a member of the Mennonite church and was a devout attendant until the time of his death, June 20, 1892. Than Mr. Grove there was no more highly respected citizen of Huntingdon county. He married Margaret Summers, March 2, 1828, born November 7, 1807, and died January 7, 1872. She was the daughter of a wealthy and influential citizen of Huntingdon county, and was of English descent. Children of Jacob and Margaret (Summers) Grove: 1. Mary, born January 22, 1832. 2. Catherine, born November 4, 1834; died November 24, 1904. 3. Andrew, born March 23, 1836; died June 15, 1890. 4. Elizabeth, born September 17, 1838. 5. Henry, born November 17, 1840. 6. Margaret, born March 17, 1842; died November 24, 1904. 7. Jacob, Jr., born July 21, 1845. Samuel S., of whom further.

(III) Samuel S. Grove, youngest son of Jacob and Margaret (Summers) Grove, was born April 10, 1848, in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, and died in the county of his nativity, November 1, 1902. He was educated in the common schools of the community. Leaving school, he very naturally entered the field of agriculture, as he had been reared

in the free atmosphere of the farm. He later acquired the homestead and lived there until his death. He did successful general farming, keeping his stock in admirable condition. Among the latter were Percheron horses of which he was very proud, and which were the objects of admiration of the county. He was a Democrat, voting and working for the ticket, but never held any office save that of school director. With his wife he was a member of the Reformed church, was a consistent Christian, a thoroughly good and honorable man, who was generally esteemed in the township. He married Mary Jane Donelson, born September 16, 1850, in Lincoln township, Huntingdon county, daughter of John H. and Margaret (Shultz) Donelson, of Lincoln township. They were both of old families who had long been established in Pennsylvania. Mr. Donelson was a wealthy and influential farmer. At the outbreak of hostilities between the North and South in 1861 he was assigned the duty of drilling the raw recruits, and was denominated captain. Owing to the age limit, he was not permitted to go to the front, but was kept employed in preparing younger men for active service. Mr. Donelson was born April 22, 1821, and died January 27, 1887, after a long and useful life. His wife was born May 15, 1825, and died March 30, 1898. Their children were: Elizabeth; John; Martin; Catherine; Mary Jane (Mrs. Grove); Reuben; Mehala; Clara and William (twins); Emma; Samuel; Flora and Ellen. Children of Samuel S. and Mary Jane (Donelson) Grove: 1. Elmer D., of whom further. 2. Alice. 3. John D. 4. Nora. 5. Chester.

(IV) Elmer D. Grove, son of Samuel S. and Mary Jane (Donelson) Grove, was born August 27, 1871, in Penn township, below Markelburg, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He received his preparatory education in the schools of the township; after which he attended Juniata College, where he prepared himself for the pedagogic profession. He was the instructor of youth for ten consecutive years, after which he accepted a position with the C. H. Miller Hardware Company in 1902, first in the shipping department and then as shipping clerk, and held that position for a number of years. For the past three years he has been billing clerk of the Miller Hardware Company of Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, one of the most responsible firms in the state. Mr. Grove is one of its most valued employees, and justly so, as he has given it energetic and loyal service. He is independent in politics, voting for

the man he deems best suited to the office. He has never held nor asked for office. He is a member of the Reformed church, supporting it generously on all occasions. He married, June 7, 1899, Mary Blanche Lininger, the daughter of Solomon Lininger (see sketch of Solomon Lininger). Children: 1. Edward Rollin. 2. Walter Lininger. 3. Ralph Elwood. 4. Mary Luella.

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The Cutshall family of Pennsylvania descends from  
CUTSHALL Caspar Cutshall, who emigrated from Germany to the Province of Maryland about 1700. He located in Frederick county, there married and reared a family. Among his descendants was Conrad, of whom further.

(I) Conrad Cutshall was born in Frederick county, Maryland, about 1740, and it is thought that he was a revolutionary soldier, as the name Cutshall appears frequently in the records of the war in the state department. He moved, in 1800, from Maryland to Pennsylvania, and located in what is now known as Springfield township, Huntingdon county. He took up wild land, cleared, improved, built log houses and planted grain. Before his death he owned many hundreds of acres of land, and at his death gave to each of his children a farm, except to Peter, to whom he gave nothing. He married Hannah Morrison, born in Frederick county, Maryland, who accompanied him to Pennsylvania. They were buried in the family burial ground on the farm. Among his children was Peter, of whom further.

(II) Peter Cutshall, son of Conrad and Hannah (Morrison) Cutshall, was born in Frederick county, Maryland, in 1790, and died, at an advanced age, in Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He came with his parents when he was ten years old to Pennsylvania. He remained with his father until reaching his majority, when he took up wild land, converted it into a farm and there lived and died. It was the old Wilds and Byrd survey, famous in its day. He married Charlotte Lane, born at Lane's mill, Kishacoquillas Valley, the daughter of a prosperous farmer and miller. Children: 1. Dutton, died in Iowa. 2. Albaugh, a soldier in the civil war. 3. Abraham, killed at Sailor's Creek in one of the last engagements of the civil war, April 6, 1865. 4. Jeremiah Morris, of whom further. 5. Samuel. 6. Mary. 7. Susan. 8. Caroline. 9. Anna T.



(III) Jeremiah Morris Cutshall, son of Peter and Charlotte (Lane) Cutshall, was born in Springfield township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He was reared on his father's farm, and remained a farmer during his life. He combined stock raising with farming, making the two pay him handsomely. He was a man of importance in his township, exerting his influence for the good of the county and township. He was justice of peace for ten or fifteen years, his rulings giving universal satisfaction.

Jeremiah M. Cutshall married Mary A. Brown, born in Springfield township, daughter of John and Susan Margaret Brown. John Brown was a revolutionary soldier, and passed the winter with General Washington at Valley Forge; and is buried in the Baptist cemetery in Springfield township. His wife Margaret was of German descent, but her forbears came to this country while it was yet in its infancy. J. M. and Mary A. (Brown) Cutshall were members of the Church of God, and he was a Whig, voting with and working for the party. Children: 1. J. B., of whom further. 2. Peter B. 3. Allen. 4. Rush. 5. Alice. 6. Rachel, died aged two years. 7. Laura.

(IV) Jeremiah B. Cutshall, one of Jeremiah Morris and Mary A. (Brown) Cutshall, was born December 21, 1853, in Springfield township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He received an excellent education in public schools of Springfield township and the summer normal schools under the various county superintendents. He taught two years in Iowa, three years in Ohio, and for the past ten years in the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, located at Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. In all he has been an instructor of youth for over twenty-five years. He has been and still is one of the best teachers and disciplinarians in the county. His pupils respect and love him, and on leaving school to enter the business world they still remain his friends. He has taught various branches, some of them the dead languages and higher mathematics. Before and after entering the profession of pedagogy he studied under Professor Kidder, a well-known instructor, and others, thus preparing himself for his life's vocation. He is a Republican, and he and wife are members of the Baptist church.

He married Mary E. Bolinger. Children: 1. S. Ernest, deputy treasurer of Huntingdon county. 2. Reed, died in infancy. 3. Marion Grace, at home.

About 1712 John Todd left his home in Scotland and emigrated to the Colony of Maryland, in America. With him came his wife Margaret and three small sons, William, Robert and Thomas. From these sons and others born after reaching America are descended the numerous Todd families in both Maryland and Pennsylvania.

(I) Ira Todd was born in 1835, in southern Maryland. He received a common school education and while yet a young man began railroading. He moved to Mifflin, Pennsylvania, where he engaged as a locomotive fireman for one month. Demonstrating his mechanical ability and thorough knowledge of machinery, he was promoted to the position of locomotive engineer in 1854 on the Pennsylvania railroad. He continued as engineer for many years, gradually rising until he was made assistant to what would be known at the present time as road foreman of engines, at which time he moved to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He served the road faithfully and efficiently for years and is now on the retired list, receiving a pension as a small reward for his loyalty and continued service. He is a staunch Democrat. He married Catherine Harvey, born at Newton Hamilton, Pennsylvania, in 1844. She is a member of an old family long resident of Huntingdon county. Children: 1. Ira Chester, unmarried; a piece work inspector in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. 2. William Upton, of whom further. 3. Harry Blair, a chemist in Pittsburgh; married Eliza Hertzler. 4. Charles K., a drug salesman, lives in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. 5. Donald, died, aged thirty. 6. Frank, a machinist in Pittsburgh. 7. Lida, twin of Frank, married Gustavus Falhaver, a drug clerk in Harrisburg. 8. Josephine, deceased, married H. C. Mank.

(II) William Upton Todd, son of Ira and Catherine (Harvey) Todd, was born December 22, 1863, in Altoona, Pennsylvania. He attended the public schools in Harrisburg until he was sixteen years of age, when he entered the machine shops of the Pennsylvania railroad in Harrisburg, and served an indentured apprenticeship of twelve hundred and forty days. He entered the machinist gang, where he worked for some time. In 1896, because of close attention to his business and a loyal interest in the company's affairs, he was promoted to the foremanship of the railroad shops in Mifflin, Pennsylvania, and continued in that position until the fall of 1906. At that time he was made

foreman of the shops at Huntingdon, and still holds that place. He is a Democrat in principle, but votes for the man and the best interests of the country as he sees them rather than with the party. He is pleasant and genial and possesses the requisite faculty of being in accord with his men; in consequence he is always master of every situation. Like his father, who railroaded in Maryland on the Baltimore and Ohio when he was only a lad, he is a thorough machinist. He loves his work and does everything in his power to advance and uplift those who are under him.

He married, April 13, 1900, Bessie Groniger, born in Mifflin county, and died on January 10, 1902, a daughter of Henry Groniger, a farmer of Mifflin county. Mr. and Mrs. Todd had no children.

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James Port, son of John and Mary (Fox) Port, was born PORT in Smithfield township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, January 6, 1824, and died November 3, 1909. In his earlier years he was engaged in the meat trade, but later was a speculator in real estate and a money lender. For a period of seven years prior to his death he was totally blind. He was a strong Republican in his political principles and a member of the Reformed church. Mr. Port married, September 16, 1847, Mary Catherine Hoffman, born January 20, 1833, died June 16, 1907. They had children: George A., see forward; Lewis Edgar, born December 14, 1849, is engaged in the livery business in Huntingdon, and married Rebecca J. Steel; Sarah A., born November 27, 1851, married D. Burkett Wilson, born December 9, 1850; Mary C., born October 2, 1853, is unmarried; James E., born February 16, 1856, died August 18, 1891, married Elizabeth Chamberlain; Alexander, born February 19, 1858, died February 20, 1891, was a butcher in Huntingdon, married Caroline Moore.

(II) George A., son of James and Mary Catherine (Hoffman) Port, was born in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, June 27, 1848, and died June 6, 1895. He was engaged in the meat business, in which he was very successful. Republican in his political opinions, he was selected to fill several borough offices to the great benefit of the community. He and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. Mr. Port married, February 26, 1871, Eliza Jane, born in Williamsburg, Pennsylvania, May 26, 1850, daughter of John McGregor and Rebecca Ann (Smith)

Stroup, and granddaughter of Bernard and Elizabeth (McGregor) Stroup. Bernard Stroup, Mrs. Port's grandfather, was a resident of Morrison's Cove, Blair county, Pennsylvania. He was a farmer and landowner. He married (first) Elizabeth McGregor, and (second) Nancy McGregor, a sister of his first wife. Children: James; Robert; Bernard Jr.; Samuel; William; Peter; John McGregor, see forward; ———, who went west; ———, who also left Pennsylvania; Mary Jane, who married (first) Joseph Bulger, (second) Adam Hamacker; Anna, married ———; and Sarah, married Peter McGraw. John McGregor Stroup, father of Mrs. Port, was born in Blair county, Pennsylvania, May 16, 1825. His early years were spent on the home farm, and he then entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as a freight conductor. He followed this occupation until his death at Harrisburg, August 4, 1869. At first he gave his allegiance to the Democratic party, but later affiliated with the Republicans. He and his wife were members of the Baptist church. He married at Williamsburg, Pennsylvania, July 26, 1849, Rebecca Ann, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Riley) Smith, the former a blacksmith of Blair county. They had one child: Eliza Jane, who married Mr. Port, as stated above. Mr. and Mrs. Port had children: Jennie E., born May 22, 1872, died in infancy; George Chalmers, born November 25, 1873, is captain of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company police force, at Altoona, married (first) Ada Barrick, (second) Beatrice Wills; J. Clyde, see forward; Mary H., born March 27, 1878, died in infancy; Lewis E., born December 23, 1879, also died in infancy; David Jesse M., born August 31, 1883, is a constable at Huntingdon, and unmarried; Beatrice Ellen, born April 13, 1885, is a graduate of the Moravian Seminary at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Ruth Jeannette, born July 20, 1894.

(III) J. Clyde, son of George A. and Eliza Jane (Stroup) Port, was born in Huntingdon, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, July 20, 1876. His early education was acquired in the public schools, and after a period of attendance at Juniata College, he became a student at Dickinson College in 1898, leaving this institution in 1900. He then commenced reading law with W. W. Henderson, continued this for two years until 1903, and then established himself in the insurance and real estate business, with which he has been successfully identified since that time.

Mr. Port married, December 12, 1906, Maud Heffner, daughter of







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Oliver L. and Martha (Heffner) Stewart. Mr. Stewart was a clothing merchant in Huntingdon, and at the time of his death was the nominee of his district for the state senatorship. Mr. and Mrs. Port have children: Margaret Stewart, born December 25, 1907; Cathline McGregor, born December 13, 1910. Mr. Port is a staunch Republican, and a member of the Huntingdon Club.

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The Snyder family, of which John W. Snyder, of Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, is a member, has been resident in the state of Pennsylvania since some time in the first half of the nineteenth century, and has been favorably identified with its agricultural and other business interests.

Charles J. Snyder, father of the subject of this sketch, was born near Würtemberg, Germany, and died in Juniata township, in 1863. In 1837 he emigrated to the United States, making the trip in a sailing vessel, and was landed at the city of New York. His stay in that city was of short duration, for very shortly after his arrival here he removed to Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, where he purchased a farm of one hundred acres in Juniata township. This was already partly improved, and Mr. Snyder cultivated it very successfully until 18—, when he sold it and purchased another farm, of two hundred acres, in the same township, on which he resided until his death. His farm was located about two and one-half miles south of Huntingdon, on the road from Huntingdon to Cassville. He and his wife were members of the Lutheran church. Mr. Snyder married in Germany, Anstiena ———, also born near Würtemberg, about 1801, died on the homestead farm, in November, 1873. They had children: Anstiena, married Abraham Corbin, and died in Juniata township; Charles J., died in boyhood; Frederick L., was a farmer in Nebraska, where he died April 18, 1912; Elizabeth C., married John Leffard, and died in Huntingdon, about November, 1905; J. Peter, was a farmer, and died in Juniata township in June, 1908; Mary M., married James Frew, a prosperous resident of the state of Nebraska; Maggie B., married David Eckley, and also lives in Nebraska; John W., see forward.

(II) John W., son of Charles J. and Anstiena Snyder, was born in Juniata township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, September 30, 1850. He was educated in the public schools of that section, and his

early life was the ordinary career of a farmer's son, who assists with the farm work as far as his strength will permit. Later he engaged in farming on his own account, buying the family homestead in 1882, and not selling it until 1906. In April, 1883, he removed to Huntingdon, and established himself in business as a teamster. In the fall of the same year he also commenced to deal in coal in a small way, but continued with his teaming work. Late in the year 1907 Mr. Snyder met with an accident which necessitated his giving up his personal attention to the teaming business, and he delegated the supervision of this to his son. In the meantime his coal business had grown to very much larger proportions, and in 1912 he handled two thousand five hundred tons of soft coal and six hundred tons of hard coal. He has been actively interested in a number of other business enterprises, and for the past ten years has been a director in the Provident Building and Loan Association. He has been identified with many movements which had for their object the betterment of existing conditions, and has given his political support to the Republican party. For nine years he has served as a member of the borough council, and has been a member of the borough school board for a period of five years. He and his wife are both members of the Lutheran church, and he is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and also with the Improved Order of Heptasophs.

Mr. Snyder married (first) June 30, 1872, Rosanna, who died February 16, 1882, a daughter of Martain Kippert, of Huntingdon. He had children: Charles J., died in infancy; Maggie B., died in infancy; Frederick L., a drayman in Huntingdon, married Mary Kelly and has seven children. Mr. Snyder married (second) June, 1885, Maggie B. Kippert, a sister of his first wife, who died two months after her marriage. He married (third) February, 1889, Pauline, born in Huntingdon, a daughter of Jacob Leonhard, and they have had children: Elsie M. and Mildred C.

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The Ruperts are of German descent and early settlers of RUPERT Franklin county, from whence came Adam and Mary (Crouse) Rupert, settling in Huntingdon county, along the Ridge, where they lived until death upon their own farm. Both, originally Lutherans, became members of the Church of the



Brethren (Dunkard), a faith their descendants adhere to. He was a Democrat in politics, but a very quiet, industrious man, taking little part in public affairs. Children by first wife: 1. Joseph, married Elizabeth Ruppel and lived in different parts of Huntingdon county. 2. Samuel. 3. David, married Margaret Dorlan. 4. John, married (first) Martha Wakefield, (second) Widow Allen. 5. Adam (2), married, Jane Corbin. 6. Hannah, married Joseph Hannawalt. 7. Elizabeth, married Michael Bollinger and moved west. 8. Catherine Ann, married Jacob Goodman, who resides in Big Valley. 9. Sophia, married John Goodman and died in Illinois. At the time of becoming the wife of Adam (1) Rupert, Mary Crouse was a widow. Children of Adam Rupert and Mary Crouse: 10. George (of whom further). 11. William, married Mary Ann Shenefelt. 12. Mary, married a Mr. Corbin, a farmer of Huntingdon county.

(II) George, son of Adam and Mary (Crouse) Rupert, was born in Huntingdon county in 1828, died at Fortress Monroe, Virginia, April 7, 1863, while in the service of the United States government as a soldier. He was a carpenter and pump maker by trade, also engaged in farming. He was a Democrat in politics and at one time was tax collector of Brady township. He married, January 10, 1853, Mary S. Boring, born April 15, 1834, who survived him and married (second) April 16, 1860, Jesse Goodman, born May 10, 1838, son of Daniel and Susan (Newkirk) Goodman. Jesse Goodman, a farmer and carpenter, enlisted in Company K, Second Kansas Cavalry, recruited in Omaha, Nebraska, January 15, 1861, and served in the Union army three years and fourteen days, seeing hard service and ranking as second duty sergeant. He resided for a time in Pike county, Illinois, then journeyed to Montana and Utah, remaining in Beaver county, Utah, two years before returning to Huntingdon. Mrs. Goodman is a member of the Lutheran church; her husband a member of George Simpson Post No. 144, Grand Army of the Republic. He is a Democrat in politics and present assessor of the third ward. Children of George and Mary S. (Boring) Rupert: 1. Jesse W., born October 9, 1853, now a teamster for the Pennsylvania railroad, married Amanda David. 2. Nancy Jane, born November 28, 1855, died 1878, the year of her marriage to Levi Guss, a printer, of Huntingdon. 3. James Lee (of whom further). 4. Edward, born 1861, now a banker of McVeytown, Pennsylvania, mar-

ried Ella Lamberson. 5. Harry M., born April 12, 1863, died September, 1909; married Maud Hatfield.

Mary S. (Boring) Rupert, mother of James Lee Rupert, is the daughter of Zachariah and Elizabeth (Diffenbaugh) Boring, natives of Maryland. Zachariah Boring was a son of an English emigrant, who settled in Maryland, where Zachariah learned the cooper's trade. Later in life he moved to Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased and cultivated a farm near Mill Creek, dying thereon about 1851. His wife, Elizabeth Diffenbaugh, born January 27, 1800, died in May, 1897, lacking but three years of reaching a full century of years. Zachariah, born about 1790, served in the war of 1812. He was a Whig in politics; she a member of the Lutheran church; children: 1. John, born in Maryland, became a farmer of Huntingdon county, married Barbara Pheasant and died in Mapleton. 2. David, a shoemaker by trade, also a railroad employee, married Zella Grady. 3. Michael, a farmer of Trough Creek Valley, married Rebecca Sloan. 4. Catherine, died aged nineteen years. 5. Jacob, died in infancy. 6. Mary S., married (first) George Rupert; (second) Jesse Goodman, both of previous mention. 7. Angeline, married John Potter, a pump maker and farmer of Huntingdon county. 8. Rebecca, married William Lovell and resided in Cambria county, Pennsylvania. 9. Nancy J., died in infancy. The only survivors of this family are Angeline (Mrs. John Potter) and Mary S., wife of Jesse Goodman, now living in Huntingdon.

(III) James Lee, son of George and Mary S. (Boring) Rupert, was born March 27, 1858, in Union township, Huntingdon county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the Soldiers' Orphans' School, in Andersonburg, Perry county, later taking a business course at Huntingdon, under Professor Kidder. He then entered the printing offices of "The Brethren," established by Quinter & Brumbaugh Brothers, becoming an expert typesetter and continuing in that employ seven years. For the succeeding six years he worked for the J. C. Blair Company until 1890, when he established a printing establishment in Huntingdon, which he has ever since successfully conducted. He does job printing of every variety, has a well-equipped plant and has established a reputation for fine printing and just prices. He is a Republican in politics, but has always closely attended to his private business and never sought political preferment. He is interested, however, in all that pertains to the wel-















